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Christmas Walk opens holiday season

Uptown Grayling will be all aglow and filled with the holiday spirit when the Christmas Walk ushers in the holiday season on this Saturday evening, sponsored by members of the Grayling Uptown District Association (GUDA).

On November 16, from 5 p.m. to 9 p.m., Grayling shops will be decorated for that down-home Christmas feeling, and luminaries will light the Christmas Walk route.

As in the past, this year's theme is "Back Home to the Heart of Christmas," and promises to delight the five senses with the sights of beautiful decorations and lights, sounds of the joyous GPA Carolers (Grayling Promotional Association), smells of pine and candles, tastes of holiday treats and the feel of warmth Christmas in Grayling can bring.

The Christmas Walk is a great family event and an opportunity to catch up with friends and family. It is also a great opportunity for local merchants to introduce their holiday goods and services, as well as a way for many local non-profit groups to raise needed funds for their missions. Groups participating this year are: the Animal Shelter of Crawford County, Youth Bowlers, Project Graduation, Crawford County Habitat for Humanity, Cub Scouts and ABWA.

No Christmas event would be complete without a visit from the jolly old elf himself, Santa Claus. He will be busy again this year vis-

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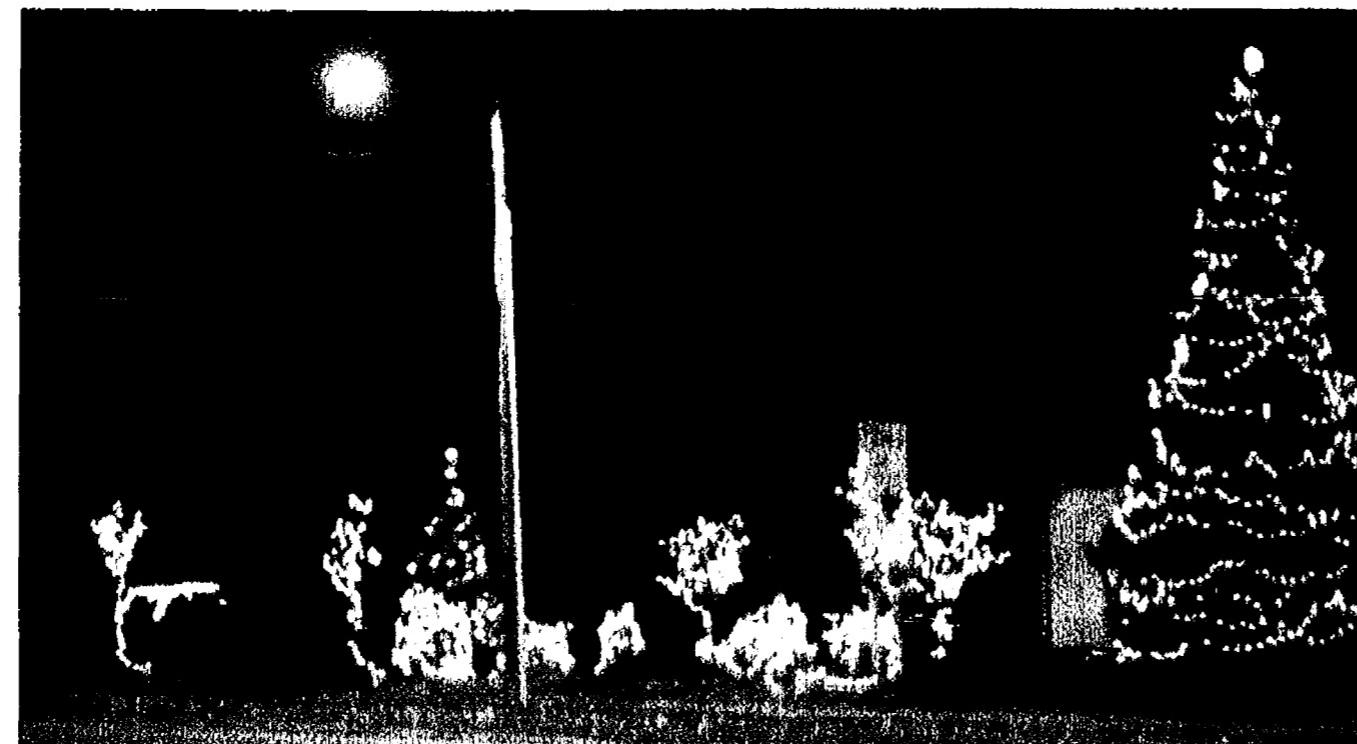


Photo by Linda Golnick

With the annual Christmas Walk just days away (this Saturday) the Grayling Parks Committee and others are working hard to set the town aglow, starting with the city park. Involved in last weekend's decorating project were Primary Electric, Gerry Northrup, Tom Wellman (who has recovered from falling into the AuSable River last Saturday night while installing the bridge lighting), Carolyn DiPonio, Terry McGregor and Joe Seifert. Parks Committee members said they hope everyone enjoys the beautiful decorations ... and look for more to come!

iting with the young folks at the Crawford County Historical Museum, as well as sitting with pets as they get their photos taken at the *Crawford County Avalanche*. Both locations are situated at the west end of Michigan Avenue, near the courthouse.

Again this year, Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church will present a Living Nativity and collect food for the local food pantry, and new toys for Toys for Tots. Ice sculptor Rosco Clark will be carving 330-pound blocks of ice all around town and

children will be delighted with meeting a real reindeer.

Bake sales, hot chocolate, caricatures and the ever-popular Christmas Egg ornaments will be available.

See you Uptown, Saturday night!

(4th District) - incumbents Judge Richard Griffin and Judge Patrick Murphy Meter ran unopposed, retaining their seats.

Judge of the Court of Appeals (4th District) - non-incumbent James G. Cavanagh 287,235, Bill Schuette 348,448.

Judge of the Circuit Court (46th Circuit) incumbent Judge Dennis F. Murphy ran unopposed and retains his seat.

Judge of the District Court (83rd District) - Scott L. Hess 5,534; Daniel L. Sutton 7,320.

State Proposals - #1 Abolishment of straight party voting - Yes 1,197,994, No 1,771,204; #2 Great Lakes Water Quality Bond - Yes 1,770,532, No 1,171,660; #3 Give state employees bargaining powers - Yes 1,333,687, No 1,589,072; and #4 Use of Tobacco Settlement money - Yes 1,017,727, No 2,006,244.

*** Due to limited space, listing of winners in the following races is not possible: members of the State Board of Education, the University of Michigan Board of Regents, Michigan State University Board of Trustees, and the Wayne State University Board of Governors are not included. We apologize for any inconvenience.**

For statewide results including all candidates, log on to www.michigan.gov/sos.

For Crawford County results, see the November 7 edition of the *Avalanche* or log on to: www.crawfco.org/results.htm.

Final tally awaits state board of canvassers' o.k.

State and district-wide votes have been tallied and now await approval later this month by the State Board of Canvassers. As of November 12, the following results, featuring top vote-getters, have been posted by the Michigan Secretary of State:

Governor/Lt. Governor - Dick Posthumus, Loren Bennett, Republican Party (R) 1,504,281;

Jennifer Granholm, John D. Cherry, Jr., Democratic Party (D) 1,629,748.

Secretary of State - Terri Lynn Land (R) 1,700,208; Melvin Butch Hollowell, (D) 1,329,283.

Attorney General - Mike Cox (R) 1,497,385; Gary C. Peters (D) 1,490,901.

U.S. Senator - Andrew Raczowski (R) 1,183,991; incumbent Carl Levin (D) 1,893,440.

U.S. Representative - Don Hooper (R) 69,061; incumbent Bart Stupak (D) 150,519.

State Senator (36th District) - Tony Stamas (R) 46,389; Andy Neumann (D) 44,339.

State Representative (106th District) - Dave Wyman (R) 15,984; Matthew Gillard (D) 16,448.

Non-Partisan Ballot:

Justice of the Supreme Court (term ends January 1, 2011) - Incumbents Supreme Court Justice Elizabeth A. Weaver and Supreme Court Justice Robert Young have retained their seats, receiving over one million votes each out of 4.4 million cast. There were seven candidates.

Judge of the Court of Appeals

For ice rink to be built, volunteers are needed

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Grayling Parks Committee member Tom Wellman recently brought his Christmas wish list to the *Avalanche*, speaking for all the kids in the community.

Some of the items on his list are quite expected for those who love to ice skate and play hockey. He writes: "one pair of hockey skates for little brother, one pair of figure skates for my sister, one cold winter to make lots of ice..." But, perhaps most importantly, "Volunteers to help build the skate rink."

Wellman said the Parks Committee is currently making plans to build the 2nd annual Skate Park and, as a concerned grandfather, he would like to see many adults volunteer to help make a nice outdoor skating rink a reality, giving local kids a place to "skate off" all that pent up winter energy... and to help keep them out of trouble.

Wellman's wish list was actually addressed to Santa, but he knows the big guy is coming to his busiest time of the year and local help is what he really needs.

Anyone who would like to help create and maintain a skating rink for the kids (and adults, too!) in the city of Grayling this winter season, is asked to call Wellman at 348-9331.

Dedication pays off with special honor



Ed and Ruth Parks attended the Michigan Library Association Awards Luncheon at the Amway Grand Plaza Hotel on October 30, where Ed received a special award for his many hours of dedication in the building of the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

Nominated by the Crawford County Library Board for his leadership and effective effort in replacing the obsolete library with a new state-of-the-art library facility, Parks received letters of support from Milli Haug, Superintendent of the Crawford AuSable School District; Scott Hanson, Chairman of the Crawford County Board of Commissioners; Allen Lowe, City of Grayling Manager; Terry Wright, Grayling Township Supervisor; and Pat Merrill, Crawford County Environmental Specialist.

Parks made a brief speech, commenting on how much all of the attending librarians do for the people and communities of Michigan. Many people commented they were inspired and excited by his short talk.

"We are all pleased that Ed Parks was recognized for the vast improvement he helped make possible in our public library in Grayling," remarked Library Director Edward Elsner.

Board through the entire process of creating a new, world class library in Grayling. He helped from land acquisition and conceptual planning through final design and construction of the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library.

In addition, Elsner said Parks worked to help pass a \$1.5 million bond issue and secured \$500,000 from a single donor to complete funding for the project. He donated over 3,000 hours of service throughout the project and served impeccably as a professional owner's representative, making sure things were done right for the new library.

Friends keep tradition alive



Friends of the Library donated this nine-foot Christmas tree to serve as the new Mitten Tree at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, and it arrived last week. Donations of new mittens, gloves, hats and scarves are now being collected to decorate the tree. Just before Christmas, the items will be distributed to local children and adults by the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center.

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Veterans Day celebration honors all who served

Approximately 50 people attended the Veterans Day ceremony held by the Veterans of Foreign Wars at the American Legion Post at 11 a.m. The majority of those present served before or during the Vietnam War.

The speaker for the celebration was Katie Ochenski, the VFW District II commander, who spoke about veterans and said they never joke about war. She said they know that no war is good and the only thing worse is slavery.

Marie Scott, President of the VFW Carl W. Borchers Post #3736 Ladies Auxiliary talked about POW-MIA's and the great sacrifice they made. She said all veterans who are prisoners of war or missing in action are still serving with never ending dedication and we should never let their sacrifices, or them, be forgotten.

The POW/MIA flag was brought forward and held near a small chair and table symbolizing the loneliness of those men. Upon the table was a lemon to symbolize his bitter fate, a bud vase with a red ribbon representing his determination, a red rose symbolizing his family and loved ones left at home, sprinkled salt representing the family tears as they await his return and a lighted candle to symbolize the continued hope for



Veterans of Foreign Wars gathered at the American Legion Post at 11 a.m., November 11, Veterans Day to honor men and women who have served America in all wars.

his return. While she spoke, everyone in the audience also held lighted candles.

Veterans Day, originally called Armistice Day, started in 1921 when an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. Similar ceremonies were held in England and France.

All of these ceremonies occurred on November 11 - the anniversary of the end of World War I (11 a.m.,

on November 11, 1918).

In 1954, President Dwight Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as Veterans Day so that the remembrance would also include those who served America in World War II, Korea and all future wars.

In 1958, the bodies of unknown soldiers from World War II and Korea were interred next to the unknown soldier from World War I. In 1984, the body of an unknown

soldier who served in Vietnam joined them.

Members of the honor guard from the 3rd U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard) keep a continuous vigil to honor these men who represent all Americans who gave their lives in war.

The Grayling High School Student Senate also held its very popular annual Veterans Day program earlier that morning for students and the community.

Local ambulance service re-accredited

► Mobile Medical Response meets association's gold standard of service

Mobile Medical Response, Inc., (MMR) the main advanced life support ambulance service available in Crawford County, recently received a full, three-year re-accreditation by the Commission on the Accreditation of Ambulance Service (CAAS).

The accreditation is valid through April 2005. CAAS was established to encourage and promote quality patient care in America's medical

transportation system.

The on-site review process took about three days. Each of the MMR facilities was visited by the CAAS review team that consisted of Emergency Physicians and Pre-hospital care executives. The team reviewed policies and procedures, quality assurance data, medical care and drug protocols, vehicle maintenance logs, performed physical plant and vehicle inspections, and reviewed risk management reports.

CAAS accreditation is considered to be the "gold standard" of service in the ambulance industry. The standards often exceed those established by state or local regulation. The process involves the review of

every aspect of MMR's operations including patient care, administration, education, finance, medical communications, vehicle maintenance, human resources, public relations and community involvement, and quality assurance.

MMR is one of only 70 services accredited in the United States and is the only service north of Lapeer to be CAAS accredited. Michigan leads the accreditation trend with 19 services receiving accreditation.

MMR is an independent, non-profit company serving nine counties in the mid-Michigan area including Saginaw, Bay, Tuscola, Arenac, Crawford, Gratiot, Clare, Isabella, and manages services for

Iosco County EMS. MMR employs nearly 350 licensed personnel and has a fleet of 70 vehicles.

In addition to transportation services, MMR also offers a membership program, nurse call center, public and corporate training for CPR, First Aid and AED (Automatic External Defibrillator), as well as a training center for Medical First Responders, EMTs and Paramedics.

COA finances dominate meeting

by Susan Warrington
Staff Writer

The relatively new Commission on Aging (COA) board is continuing to learn about the building fund. Their goal is to try to clear up, once and for all, how large the building fund is and what restrictions, if any, exist on the use of the funds.

COA Finance Committee Chair Robert Bonkoski has spearheaded the review of the building fund. He furnished the board with a copy of a 1997 COA Executive Committee Meeting dealing with it.

At that 1997 meeting, it was shown that 30 percent of the funds

in reserve were restricted building fund money. The other 70 percent of the reserve funds were unrestricted and that money could be used for anything concerning seniors.

These reserve funds provide a base for operations in case of funding failure. Much of the funding then, and now, comes through the Older Americans Act, which is subject to cancellation or reduction at any time the government needs to make cuts.

In 1997, the COA had enough reserve funding to operate for 18 weeks. Bonkoski reported the COA now has enough for 26 weeks of

operation if funding fails. He said a 26 week reserve is optimal because it allows time for exploration of new funding sources, time to operate while awaiting reapproval of the old funding, or time to help seniors find alternative sources while programs are phased out.

Bonkoski has learned that the funds are now all unrestricted so they can be used for whatever program(s) the Board designates. He suggested that the Board wait until all of the questions about the building fund are straightened out, and then decide what they want to do with the funds.

For more information, or to receive a nominating form, call the Grayling Regional Chamber of

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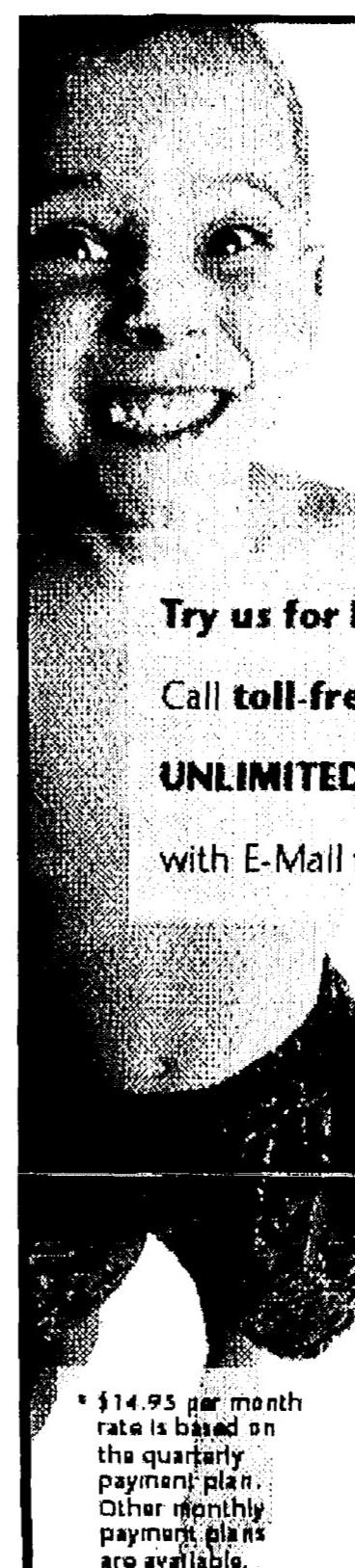
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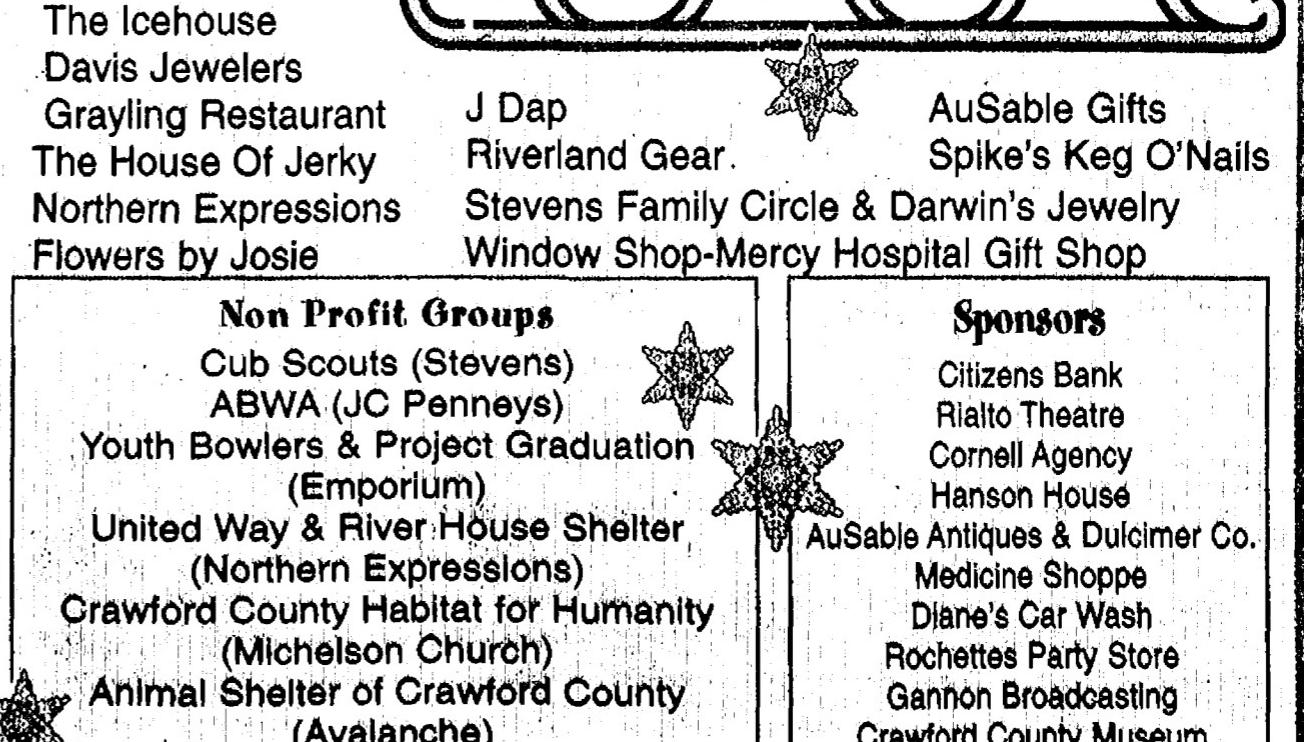
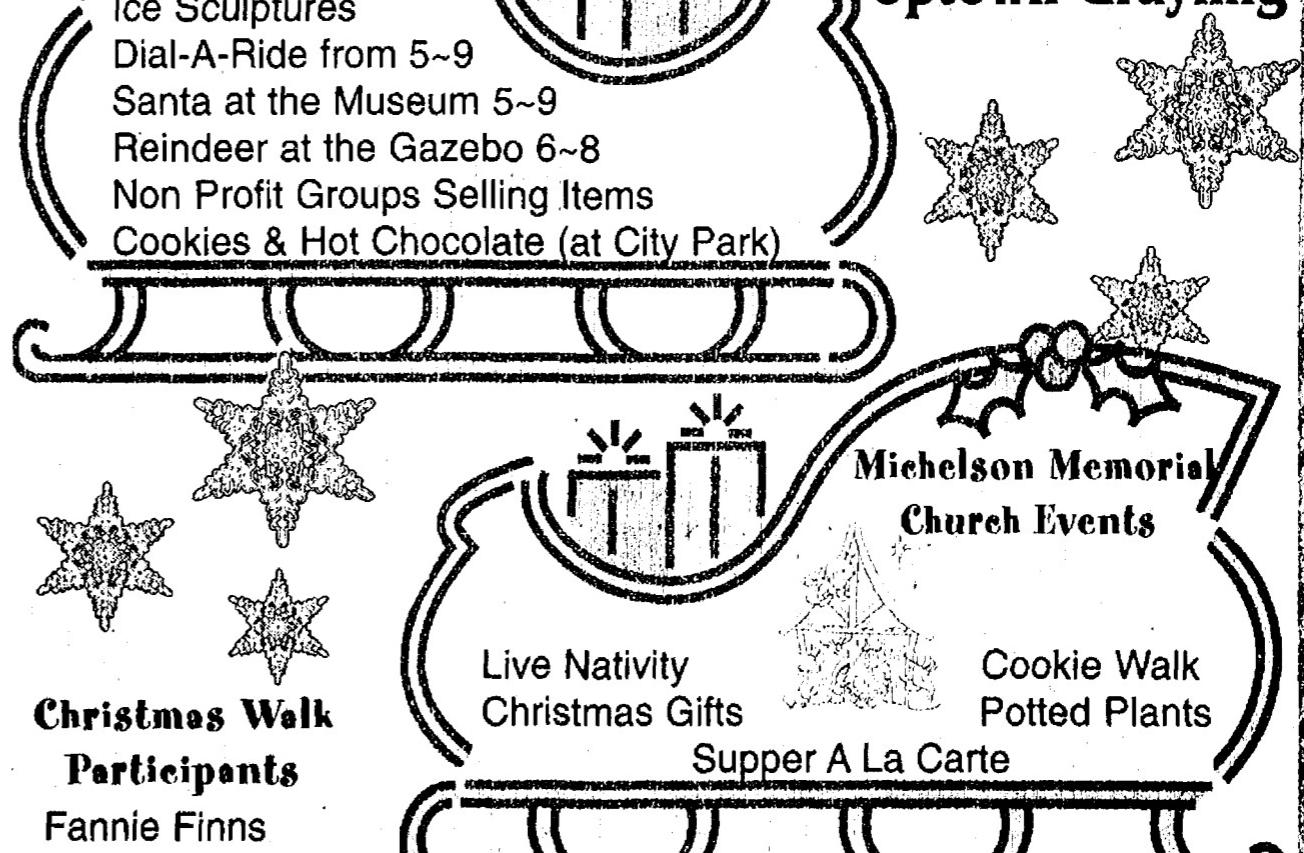
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Back Home to the Heart of Christmas

November 16, 2002

5:00 p.m. ~ 9:00 p.m.

Uptown Grayling



Who will be the next 'Citizen of the Year?'

The Grayling Regional Chamber of Commerce is seeking nominations for the ATHENA Award and the Citizen of the Year.

Applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce office, located adjacent to the city park on James Street. Deadline for nominations will be Friday, January 3, 2003.

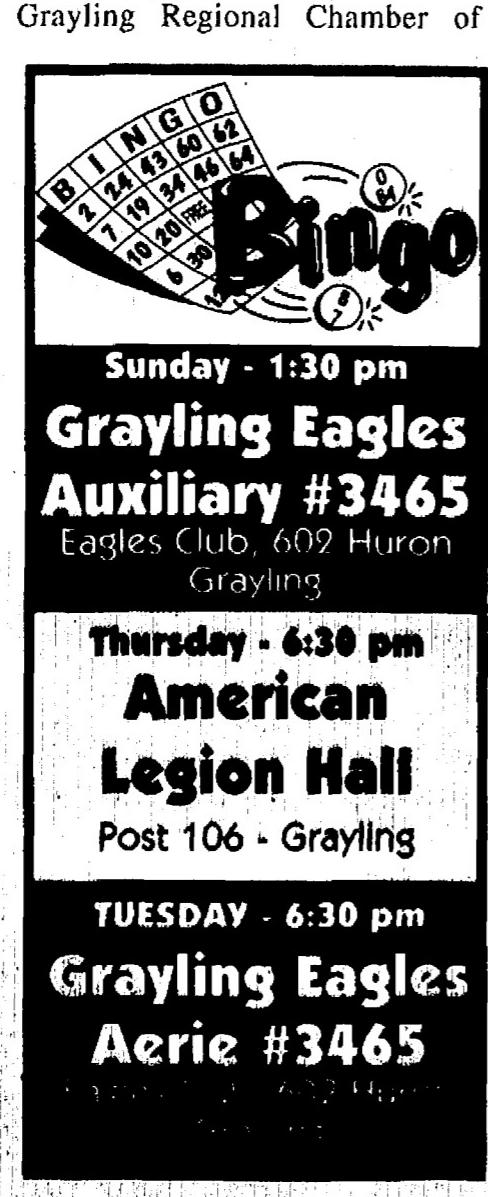
The Citizen of the Year Award is awarded annually to an individual or individuals that work for the betterment of the whole community.

The ATHENA Award is awarded to an individual who has made an impact on the business community, active in the community, and most importantly, assists women in reaching their full leadership potential.

Correction

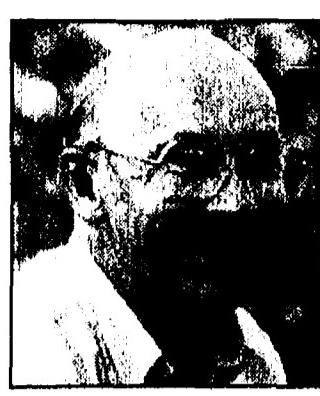
In an article published November 7, titled "Grayling WWII vet adds to lore about war," the times for local Veterans Day services were mis-stated.

With all due respect for our local veterans, we apologize for the error and any confusion it may have caused.



OPINIONS

The opinions expressed in the letters and columns on this page are solely those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect the views of *The Avalanche*.



ALMANACK

by Richard Milliman

Now that the election is over, the real fun begins

MICHIGAN VOTERS in their own peculiar fashion upset a few apple carts at the November 5 election.

Except for the most die hard Republicans, nobody expected the GOP to do as well as it did at the polls.

Sure, a Democrat won the governor's office. That was signed, sealed and delivered more than a year ago by many political pundits, including this writer.

Public opinion polls every month guaranteed it, too, right up to election day, but the Democratic edge turned out to be so thin it carried nobody with it but Jennifer Granholm.

Perverse as is their habit, Michigan voters voted down the state proposal to eliminate straight party voting in Michigan -- then voted the split ticket anyway. Go figure.

In truth, then, the November 5 election was an individual victory for Gov. Elect Jennifer Granholm, who will be mighty lonely in the state capitol in Lansing after January 1.

She can hold her Democratic party capitol

caucus in half a phone booth ... and rent out the other half to help pay off the state debt. The state will need the revenue.

Governing will be no picnic for the new governor.

Both houses of the legislature are controlled by Republicans. The 63 house Republicans, in fact, make up the most GOP house members in 40 years or so.

True, Democrats picked up one seat in the state senate, but party wise, so what? The state still will be 22-16 Republican.

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THE MARGIN OF victory for Ms. Granholm was about 125,000 votes over Lt. Gov. Dick Posthumus out of about 3,135,000 votes cast.

Voter totals also indicate about 125,000 or so voters who cast ballots for governor then skipped the rest of the ticket.

Were these cross over Republicans? Were they gender plunkers? Hard to tell. But had these votes stayed in the Democratic column, Republican Mike Cox would not have been elected attorney general.

Republican Terri Lynn Land had such a large winning margin for secretary of state that 125,000 more votes for Democrat Butch Hollowell would have made no difference in that race.

Voter totals also indicate about 20,000 voters for the Green and U.S. Taxpayers parties plunked for Ms. Granholm, then returned to their own minority party slates the rest of the way.

Only other Democrats to win statewide races were for education boards where five Republicans and three Democrats -- two of them incumbents -- won.

The two Republican nominated candidates for state supreme court, both incumbents, won easily, and Republicans picked up the two new congressional seats, neatly arranged by Republican planners during redistricting for probable GOP wins.

All in all, it was a banner election for Michigan Republicans, with the lone, shining Democratic exception of Jennifer Granholm.

NATIONALLY SIMILAR trends pre-

vailed. In most states, Republicans did unexpectedly well, winning back the U.S. Senate and improving the GOP edge in the house.

Democrats picked up a few governor races in addition to Michigan, but Republicans did not lose as many as expected.

It was a great victory for President George W. Bush, who campaigned vigorously in selected states.

The election leaves the national Democratic party in a quandary, with no national spokesperson with widespread inclusive credibility, and a party vision that is splintered at best.

With the large margins he enjoys in the Congress, and despite the fact that congressional Republicans often hold stubbornly independent views, governance should be easier for Mr. Bush.

Not so for his Michigan counterpart. Ms. Granholm faces a daunting task, as a Democratic governor with a solidly Republican legislature. She has vowed to

pursue inclusiveness, as well she should. Let's hope it works.

Partisanship may not offer her most severe challenge as governor, however. Money problems will.

The state budget is deep in the red already this fiscal year, and next year's projected deficit looms even larger.

Michigan's constitution requires a balanced budget. With uncertain and withering state revenues, that means either more taxes or fewer services, including cuts in present programs.

Neither is an easy or popular route.

Now that the election is over, it will shortly be back to work to solve Michigan problems.

It won't be easy.

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Richard Milliman is a veteran newspaperman, and a contributing columnist to several Michigan newspapers.

EDITOR

U.S. must protect citizens from another attack

To the editor,

I read with some interest the letter from Cathy Lester concerning Iraq. The logic in your letter, Ms. Lester, is appalling and flawed.

First, you state Iraq has only the ability to launch missiles with a range of 120 miles. I am not priviledged to the information the military has, and cannot comment on the accuracy of your statement. I do, however, feel quite bad for those poor souls who live within 120 miles of the Iraqi border. They may be toast at any minute and since you, madam, are not within that zone it seems acceptable to let them fry.

As far as the argument that any attack on Iraq could "whip up anti-American sentiment," who cares if it does? We are not in a popularity contest, not to mention most of these countries hate us already. You are right, however, when you say if we attack it will put the suspicion into the heads of every other country that we may invade them, too, if we disapprove of their actions. Good, because for eight years of the previous administration there was no response from the United States to terrorist attacks.

Consider the first attack on world trade, or the USS Cole, what was our response? Nothing, and this sent the message of weakness. After the retaliation against Al-Qaeda and destruction of the Taliban in Afghanistan, parties against the U.S. will think twice about their actions knowing they will be destroyed if they attack us.

The ignorance of your final point defies belief. You state, "if we give

two pins about promoting democracy in the rest of the world.....we have to act on our words, which means respecting international law, which means not attacking other countries unless we're attacked first." Please stop by the local library and read the Constitution. The United States is not governed by international law. Our country is governed by our laws based on the standards set forth in the Constitution, foremost of which is protection of our country and its citizens. That means we deal with threats before the loss of American lives.

Since you seem happy to wait for an attack, how big must it be for you to feel retaliation is appropriate. One dead? Ten dead? Or do you need a nuclear attack on a major city to wipe out 100,000 innocent, non-military souls to finally take action? If saving American lives means attacking first, then so be it.

As far as the promotion of democracy is concerned, all you need to do is look at the last 226 years of this country's existence and how we have made the world better. This country has spread freedom throughout the world, economically and, at times, militarily when called for. When there is a natural disaster, we are there. When people are suffering, we are there. And yes, Ms. Lester, when tyranny threatens the world, whether it be in the form of an individual, group or country, the United States is there.

John Sullivan
Grayling

An answer to Natural Rivers designation challenges

To the editor,

In the October 31 issue of the *Avalanche* there were three challenges to my previous letter supporting designation of the Manistee River under the state's Natural Rivers program. These challenges require an answer to set some facts straight for the readers of this publication.

I was accused of using scare tactics for citing examples of scientific studies along with actual rivers here in Michigan, when the real scare tactics are being used by people who claim the Natural Rivers program gives control of our property to the DNR. It is not true that the Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) would be required to have a DNR member present, nor would the DNR have veto power at such meetings. As a former Crawford County Building and Zoning Dept. representative for ZBA meetings, the DNR was never present unless invited, and when present, they did not have any sort of veto power over decisions made.

The reason E-Coli data was present is because it is not an industrial pollutant, it is primarily a result of poorly treated sewage.

According to the "Soil Survey of Crawford County, Michigan" produced by the USDA, the predominant soil types along the Manistee River are coarse sands, typified by Rubicon Sand.

This same document lists major management concerns for these soils to include high

permeability and poor filtering capacity, which can easily result in the pollution of ground water. The Manistee is primarily fed from ground water all along its length making the introduction of E-Coli very possible with nearly every home dependent upon septic systems.

Another assertion is that most property owners would not do anything to harm the river so further restrictions just are not necessary. I gladly agree that "most" property owners are very good at protecting their section of the river, if only they "all" were, this would not be an issue.

As the former soil erosion agent for Crawford County I have talked with individuals who claimed to love the river; would not want to see anything bad happen to it; bemoan what others have done, all while sitting on a backhoe which they just used to fill in wetlands without permits to 'improve' their property.

With individuals making the assertions that ten foot vegetative

strips are all that is necessary to protect the river, fifty-foot setbacks are more than adequate and it is o.k. to clearcut 20 percent of the river frontage, it further underscores the necessity of Natural Rivers designation. Land uses and population growth dynamics are very different today than at any time in our past, this is placing greatly increased demands on our surface water resources, especially coldwater streams like the Manistee, making it imperative that we act today to preserve these habitats for tomorrow.

Finally, in this day of decreasing budgets, zoning enforcement can be very expensive for local governments. With the designation of the Manistee as a Natural River, zoning violations would also be a violation of state rules, thus allowing the DNR to provide assistance to our local governments. Why would we not want to have the state be potential partners in helping us enforce zoning to protect our rivers?

Brian Anderson
Frederic

Behavior on rivers should be point of attack

To the editor,

The group heading the Upper Manistee River Association has obviously laid out a path for the rest of us that leads to a takeover of our properties by the Department of Natural Resources.

The DNR is the same organization that cannot push through any sort of legislation that would control the behavior on the river. It is the organization that has the same number of Conservation Officers since back in the 1920's

Now we are told they are capable of managing our properties so the river will not suffer any further damage. This is the same organization that had to rely on volunteers and

donations from property owners to shore up the river banks so the sand would not ruin the spawning grounds.

Understand, of course, the outstanding damage usually occurs at public access points. Those are the places for which the DNR is responsible.

Years ago, when part of the Pine River was declared a Federal Wild and Scenic River, the most impressive part of that takeover was a federal or state officer had to be at every public landing to check canoeing permits.

Observers remarked this "caused an amazing change in the behavior of people using the river." Because those users could see law enforcement all over, they began to treat the river as a place to observe

nature. It was no longer a place to privately smoke pot, urinate, shout, cruise naked, chase ducks and geese in molt, trespass, and bang into log jams, thus ruining good fish habitat.

This is where the natural river is being damaged, not the property in private control. Behavior of the users is the point to attack. The DNR cannot control the users and now we are expected to quietly sit back and watch them control our property.

The control of private property is not where the problem lies, but it is something the DNR can do with very little outlay of funds. It makes them look busy, and to many, will make them heroes. Those who apparently believe they are heroes are the folks

who are trying to shove this proposal down the throats of the very people who do protect the river, the property owners.

On and yes, many of the users will be happy about the Natural Rivers plan too, because they believe the entire river should be their domain.

We could sit back as some are doing and say "let them declare it a Natural River since our property will not be affected." It is just the idea that we pay the taxes and worked hard to earn the money to own a place in the north woods. I'll be darned if I like the idea of the state taking over its management.

Don Geiss
Frederic

Rights remain after 9-11; power will be provided

To the editor,

Last week, as I entered the voting booth at the township hall, something happened to me that I wasn't expecting. I found tears welling up in my eyes as the thought hit me that this was the first time I had voted since 9-11.

I was deeply moved that our country was still the politically empowering country that it was before the attacks. This election was the most meaningful one I can remember in the past 23 years since I became legally

old enough to vote.

Another unexpected thing that came to my attention last week was newspaper articles concerning the possible war with Iraq. I read two items on this subject, both of which gave opinions about this from points of view which were grounded in Christian faith, faiths with very different ideals to be sure, but of Christian faith no less.

While both faiths have strong beliefs and doctrines to back up their views on the political positions of

America in the Middle East, I feel it is important to distinguish the difference between political empowerment and Christian spiritual empowerment.

To confuse these two important but separate issues is a common misinterpretation.

The followers of Jesus were confused by this as well. One of the last things they asked Jesus right before he was taken up into heaven was basically, "Are you ready to kick these Romans out of Israel yet?" (See Acts 1:6) They were looking for nothing

less than political power. Jesus answered them with, "You will receive power, but not the kind you're looking for. You are going to receive power by the Holy Spirit..."

If you will forgive my paraphrasing of Holy Scripture, my point is there is a difference between powers. As this debate continues across our country, and indeed across the world, it is important to define the difference.

Mary Evert
Grayling

BRIEFS

Hunters Swiss Steak Dinner planned

Grayling Chapter #83 Order of Eastern Star will serve a Hunters Swiss Steak Dinner at the Grayling Masonic Temple, 304 Michigan Avenue, on Friday, November 15, from 5:30 p.m. to 8 p.m. Cost is \$6.50 per person. Hunters and public are welcome.

Library hosts kids' Trim the Tree craft week

Boys and girls: register for the Trim the Tree Craft week at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library. The program runs from Monday, December 2 through Thursday, December 5 at 3:30 p.m. each afternoon. Class size is limited to 20 children each day, so early registration is necessary. To register or for more information, call the library at 348-9214.

Donate to canned food, mitten drive

Northland Area Federal Credit Union will once again be accepting donations for its annual canned food drive and Mitten Tree, now through November 26, during regular business hours. Needed are donations of canned goods, non-perishable food items, new hats, mittens, scarves, gloves and ear bands. All donations will be given to the Crawford County Community Christian Help Center for distribution this holiday season.

Church plans annual bazaar, bake sale

St. John Lutheran Church will hold its Annual Bazaar & Bake Sale on Saturday, November 16, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Featured will be hand-crafted items, white elephant table, baked goods, raffle and lunch with soup and Danish apple cake. St. John Lutheran Church is located at 710 Spruce Street in Grayling.

Donate to annual Thanksgiving Dinner

Anyone wishing to make a monetary donation to help defray the cost of this year's 9th annual Crawford AuSable Community Thanksgiving Dinner, offering a free holiday meal with all the trimmings to everyone in the community, may send a check or money order in any amount to: Crawford AuSable Thanksgiving, P.O. Box 44, Grayling, MI 49738.

Jazz music fest coming to library

Allen Bondar and Friends Jazz Fest is scheduled Thursday, November 14 at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum Street in Grayling. Performance begins at 6 p.m. For more information, call the library at 348-9214 or Dharma Records at 344-1228.

Experience the Misty Isles of Scotland

As part of the 2002-2003 Crawford AuSable Community Cultural Events' Travel and Adventure Series, Sterling will present "The Misty Isles of Scotland" on Thursday, November 14 at the Rialto Theatre on Michigan Avenue in Grayling. Tickets for this November 14 travelogue to Scotland are \$7 for adults, and \$6.50 for students and senior citizens. Doors open at the Rialto Theatre at 6:45 p.m.; show begins at 7:30 p.m. For more information or to purchase tickets, call 348-7146. The Travel and Adventure Series is made possible by a partnership with Fick & Sons, Inc. and a grant from the Michigan Council for the Arts and Cultural Affairs.

Habitat to participate in Christmas Walk

Crawford County Habitat for Humanity will host a bake sale at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church during the annual Christmas Walk on Saturday, November 16, from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. A variety of baked goods will be available. Habitat for Humanity depends on the support of the community to help build affordable homes for deserving families and individuals.

Legion to hold Garage and Bake Sale

The American Legion Auxiliary of Grayling will hold its regular monthly meeting on Wednesday, November 13 at 2 p.m. at the Hall, 106 James Street in Grayling. On Saturday, November 16, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. also at the Legion Hall, a Garage and Bake Sale will be held. A lunch of homemade soup and sandwiches will be available.

Eagles offer Coney Day, Fish Fry

The Grayling Eagles will host Coney Day on Friday, November 15, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. Price is \$1 for a Coney dog and \$1 for fries. On Wednesday, November 20, a Fish Fry will be held from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. The buffet-style meal costs \$7 per person. Menu includes fried or baked fish, wing dings, potatoes, french fries, cole slaw, homemade bread and desserts. The public is welcome at both events to dine in or carry out. Call 348-5287. The Eagles Hall is located at 602 Huron Street (M-72 East), in Grayling.

Girl Scouts to sell cookies in area

The Crawford County Girl Scouts will be holding Cookie Booth sales on Saturday, November 16 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Cartwright and Danewell (M-72 West in Grayling) and from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Glen's Market. For more information, call Deanna Garrity at 348-9005.

COA invites all to Pancake Brunch

The Crawford County Commission on Aging's Senior Citizen Center will host a Pancake Brunch on Sunday, November 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Center located at 308 Lawndale in Grayling. Everyone is welcome. Also, two Thanksgiving Dinners will be held November 19, one served at 12 noon and the other at 5 p.m. There will be dancing between dinners. Call 348-7123 for reservations. The regular meeting of the COA Board will be held Monday, November 18 at 5:30 p.m. Committee-of-the-Whole will meet earlier that day at 10 a.m.

GHS Players to present 'Oklahoma!'

The Grayling High School Players will present the musical, "Oklahoma!" November 21-23 at the AuSable Primary School. Renovation and construction at the high school prompts the temporary relocation of theatre activities. Advance tickets are on sale at Davis Jewelers.

Tour historic farm park by glowing lantern light

Reservations are highly recommended for the final event of the season at Wellington Farm Park, near Grayling.

On Friday and Saturday, December 13-14, the annual "Farm by Lantern Light" tours will be offered and has proven to be a great family outing.

The event is a full evening's experience, with participants entering the Visitors Center where they will be welcomed and organized into tour groups. At the scheduled time, costumed interpreters/guides will lead each group to a tractor or horse drawn sleigh or wagon.

While riding through the park, the guide will provide a live narration which will set the stage and begin a story which will continue throughout the entire evening's tour. When the group arrives at its first stop, it will discover the entire park is breathtakingly illuminated by dozens of flickering kerosene lanterns.

From the drop-off point, the remainder of the tour is a walking tour taking visitors from building to building, where interpreters will be dressed in period clothing. Each building is also lantern-lit and warmed by the glow of a wood stove fire, and more of the story will be revealed along with intriguing insight into a way of life of more than 70 years ago.

The final stop will be at the Summer Kitchen. Groups will

arrive there by walking a lantern-lit path through the woods. The Summer Kitchen will be tastefully decorated for the Christmas season, and the room itself will be filled with the smells and sounds that can only be associated with a wood-burning cook stove with a batch of cookies in the oven.

It is here the story comes to a surprise ending that will leave everyone with a good feeling about the coming holiday season and the satisfaction that they have experienced life during another time.

Tours are timed, with the first group leaving the Visitors Center at 6:30 p.m. Additional tours will depart every 15 minutes for the remainder of the evening. Cost of the tour is \$5 per person. Participants are urged to dress appropriately for the weather that evening.

In the past, the "Farm by Lantern Light" tour has been attended by capacity audiences, and those with reservations will be given first priority.

All reservations will be honored, and those making reservations will be guaranteed a spot on the tour. Reservations can be made by calling toll-free 1-888-OLD-FARM or by visiting the park's web site at: www.wellingtonfarmpark.org.

Wellington Farm Park is located on Military Road in Beaver Creek Township, between Four and Five Mile Roads, near Grayling.

Senior volunteers needed to be Foster Grandparents

The Foster Grandparent Program is seeking senior volunteers, age 60 and over, to mentor children in the counties of Crawford, Alpena, Alcona, Cheboygan, Iosco, Montmorency, Oscoda, Otsego, and Presque Isle counties.

Seniors are paid for 20 hours per week, tax free, and mileage is reimbursed. Eligibility requirements apply.

Recently in the Foster Grandparent program, Joy Breckow from the Otsego County Family Independence Agency children's protective service division, was the guest speaker at an in-service meeting. She spoke on the child protection laws.

New Foster Grandparents, Ruby Trower of Cheboygan, Sovilla Oaks of Fairview, Ruth Boyd of Lewiston, and Jane Weighman and Loretta Troyer, both of Mio, were introduced. The statewide conference to

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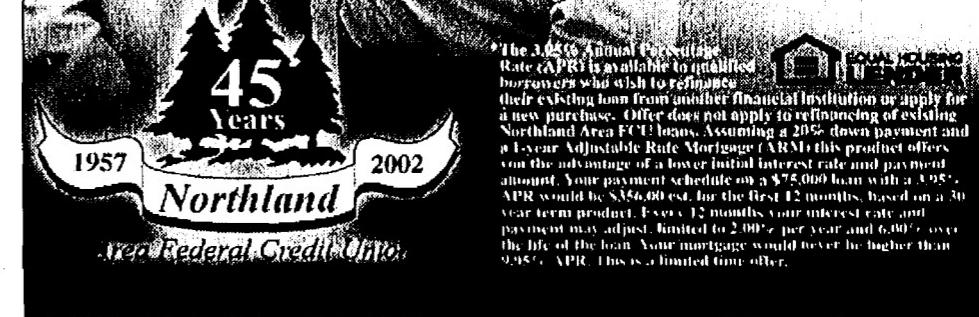
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Terrorism Truth

Sean Hannity in his new book, "Let Freedom Ring" quoted the prophetic brilliance of former President Ronald Reagan on terrorism from a speech given in 1985 to the American Bar Association. Reagan said, "There is a temptation to see the terrorist act as simply the erratic work of a small group of fanatics. We make this mistake at great peril, for the attacks on America, her citizens, her allies, and other democratic nations in recent years do form a pattern of terrorism that has strategic implications and political goals. And only by moving our focus from the tactical to the strategic perspective, only by identifying the pattern of terror and those behind it, can we hope to put into force a strategy to deal with it."

Sean went on to remind us of how Ollie North was aware of the gravity of the terrorist threat. Ollie, as Sean reminded us was "decorated for courage and bravery in Vietnam with the Silver Star, the Bronze Star, two Purple Hearts and three Navy Commendation metals." Ollie helped plan the liberation of Grenada and helped plan the raid against terrorists in Libya. For his help in bringing freedom and democracy to Central America he was not honored as a hero, but targeted by liberals in Washington as a villain. As Sean said, Ollie and his family were targeted "first by Libyan terrorists (physically), and then by liberal Democrats (Politically and legally)." I

personally remember him being publicly ridiculed during Congressional hearings for installing an alarm system in his home to protect his family from terrorists.

I also remember how liberals tried to brand Reagan and Bush as drug-runners and drug-pushers for their freedom efforts in Central America. I also told you in earlier columns how John Hull, a former neighbor and family friend, was branded and falsely accused of murder and drug running in Costa Rica. Although he was finally exonerated in court, his reputation and future were tarnished. He got in trouble with Washington liberals for allowing the CIA to use his landing strip on his Costa Rica farm to bring in guns and supplies for the Contra freedom fighters.

President George W. Bush understood and continued Reagan's vision against terrorism. President Bush understood clearly from the beginning that it is really a war of good against evil. He made it clear that persons and nations that support terrorists are terrorists. He made it clear to every person and nation in the world that they are either with us or with the terrorists. But as liberals branded Reagan a simple minded, dangerous California cowboy, so now they have tried to brand Bush as a simple minded, dangerous Texas cowboy. Honest conservatives trying to tell the plain truth can expect to be publicly branded as dummies.

Those exposing the religious strategy behind terrorism will be branded as racists, Zionists, bigots, radicals, extremists, blasphemers, profilers, etc. After deafening silence a few American religious leaders finally spoke out publicly and were publicly condemned to death by the false religious leaders behind terrorism. America is not threatened by a religion of peace, but by an evil system which promotes hate, war, and tyranny. Jesus said in Matthew 7:20: "Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them." Pastor "B"

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GMS names October 'Students of the Month'



Photo courtesy of Grayling Middle School

Grayling Middle School Students of the Month for October are, from left: (back row) Jesse Ginther, Ben Jones, T.J. Bellish, Tyesha Root, Eva Clark, Laura Boylan, Kara Edgerton, Chad Gildner; (second row) Alexandra Piehl, Lindsey Knowles, Erica Moggo, Andrew Molands, Monica Peters, Jason Drudge, Mat Latuszek, Lindsay Wakeley, Julie Teal, Sakeena Bartkowski, Angie Martella, Alexis Elmy; (third row) Andrew Wilson, Alex Gabriel, Josh Moggo, Jessica Wolford, Travis Peever, Paul Awrey, Justin Denno; (front row) Sarah Rais, Talia Piper, Danielle Smith, Emily Sloan; not shown: Eva Clark.

HAVE YOU COMPLIMENTED YOUR CHILD TODAY

A child needs at least one, good solid compliment per day. If "an apple a day keeps the doctor away," a compliment a day will give self-esteem to your child.

Self-esteem is crucial for a person. How does a child build it? Does he come by it himself? Not really! The beginning of a self-esteem happens when parents constantly and consistently COMPLIMENT the child.

Children need to hear, "Hey, you did a great job!" A pat on the back, a "well done", "I appreciate you", "I'm proud of you", are beautiful words to the ears of the child, whether the child is 5 or 50.

Some sons and daughters, now grown, have never heard their parents praise them to their faces. Oh, they hear from others how proud Mom or Pop is of them, but they wait, hoping to hear it with their own ears. And some parents go to their graves, proud as peaches of their children, but they never "said it".

"A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in baskets of silver." (Proverbs 25:11) If you haven't complimented your child recently, do it today!



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Gillard ready to represent 106th District

by Cheryll Ruley
Staff Writer

Democrat Matthew Gillard has a lot to look forward to, and perhaps a lot of pressure to prove he's the right man for the job. He defeated Grayling City Mayor Dave Wyman, a Republican, in the November 5 general election by only 464 votes and will represent six counties in the newly drawn 106th District of the State House of Representatives.

Gillard said he hopes to be sworn into office in his hometown of Alpena as soon as the state board of canvassers puts its seal of approval on the election results at the end of the month. Between then and the January swearing in at the state capitol in Lansing, the new Representative plans to be married to his sweetheart, Jessica Glomski, on December 21. Needless to say, this 28-year old freshman representative has his plate full and his life is turning a big corner.

Gillard faced some mudslinging from a "special interest group" attempting to tarnish his image just days before the election. Most noticeable was a pre-recorded phone message delivered to nearly every resident in the 106th District, with a Valley Girl type voice asking if the voter had "heard about Gillard." The calls were followed with a glossy mailer alleging Gillard was a convicted drunk driver and had been charged with possession of marijuana. Gillard confirmed an impaired driving conviction in 1998, but denies ever being brought up on any drug charge. He said he learned his lesson four years ago.

The mudslinging was not orchestrated by Wyman, his opponent. Gillard said it is rare candidates are actually the ones slinging mud at one another and that something needs to be done about what seemed to be never-ending phone calls to



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

State Representative-elect Matt Gillard (left) meets Ken Eldridge, of Mercy Hospital's Auxiliary volunteer group. Gillard said he will keep in touch with the hospital's administration during these tough economic times and look into funding options for rural hospitals and their patients.

voters in the days and weeks prior to the election.

Many callers seeming to represent certain candidates were instead produced by special interest groups, with money to burn on burning the opposition. Another special interest group spent money bad-mouthing Wyman, but Gillard said his campaign staff was not the source. He remarked something should be done to make clear to voters where the money to produce and distribute the material, and make the calls, is coming from.

Now, Gillard said, he is ready to get to work and represent Crawford County, along with the others -- Alcona, Alpena, Montmorency, Oscoda and Presque Isle Counties.

He said he would support a constitutional amendment at the base level for continued revenue sharing from state sales tax in order to spare

counties the heartache of losing revenue they have come to depend upon in order to operate at a functional level.

Because Crawford County, along with many others, has a low tax base due to the overwhelming amount of state and federal lands inside its borders, Gillard said he supports a proposal originating in Oscoda County to share revenues from oil and gas drilling with counties to fund after-school activities and youth centers. Gillard agreed every county in his district has a problem with underage drinking and drug use, which increases juvenile court costs passed on to the taxpayers. "I would like to see a small percentage -- maybe five to 10 percent -- of the revenues collected from drilling come back to the counties for needed youth activities," he said.

The lack of jobs in northern

Michigan that offer a "living wage" is another problem Gillard hopes to address during his first term. With the Grayling Township Industrial Park and part of the city's industrial park sitting idle, Gillard said more could be done by the state to recruit new business and industry to the area. "Once a Renaissance or Enterprise zone is allowed to be created, with tax incentives and abatements, the state needs to continue the process by utilizing a facilitator to do some of the leg work. This opportunity to grow and provide good jobs should not be lost," Gillard explained.

Finally, Gillard would like to see more of his constituents get informed, and involved in the issues which most affect their communities. Only 43.77 percent of Crawford County's registered voters cast ballots on November 5. "More people need to learn about the issues; then I encourage them to get out and vote," he said. "Start by getting to know how your city, township, and county governments operate. It's your tax dollars that fund what government does."

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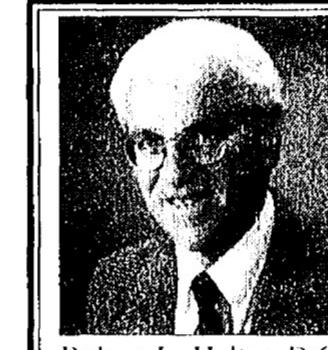
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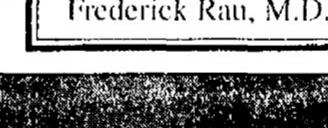
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Voters keep Schuette on duty



Photo by Cheryll Ruley

Republican State Senator Bill Schuette (left) made a stop in Crawford County in the days before the election to meet with voters and some old friends. Here he meets Grayling resident, Jim Harris (right), during a stop at the county courthouse. Schuette, who said he always hoped to serve as a judge, was elected to a six-year term with the 4th District Court of Appeals, defeating James Cavanagh.



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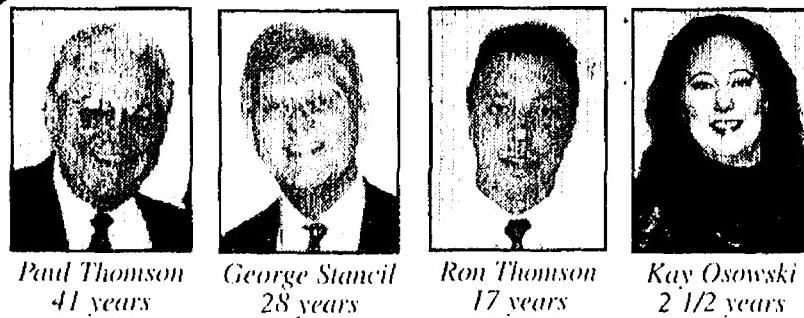
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Kiwanis clubs picnic at City Park



Al Johnston, left, helped ensure none of the Kiwanians at the picnic held recently for neighboring clubs left hungry. The local Kiwanis club hosted the Kiwanis clubs from Traverse City, Crystal Lake and Beulah. One of the highlights of the dessert menu was the New York cheesecake made by Tim Zigila.

SENIOR CITIZEN NEWS

by Jan Farley

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lite at 12 noon; Pantry Bingo & 80 Cent Rummy at 1 p.m. 18 - Italian Round Steak Maryland Chicken; COA Board Committee of the Whole at 1:30 p.m.; open to the public; Stag Cards at 12 noon; Bridge Club at 1 p.m. and COA Board meeting at 5:30 p.m. 19 - Traditional Thanksgiving dinners at noon and 5 p.m.; Call for reservations. 20 - Stuffed Cabbage/Beef Stew; Hearing Clinic by appointment; Bible Study at 10:30 a.m.; Stag Cards at 12 noon; and Hangman at 5:30 p.m.

Above all this week, remember: Even if you're on the right track, you'll get run over if you just sit there!

RANGE FIRING

Range firing scheduled during November 13 - 19 is as follows:

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OBITUARIES

Betty D. Lifford

Mar. 31, 1923 - Nov. 4, 2002
Betty D. Lifford, 79, of Grayling and formerly of Bear Lake Township, died November 4, 2002 at her home. She was born on March 31, 1923 in Akron, Ohio, the daughter of Lafayette and Daisy (Foor) Beers.

She married William E. Lifford on July 17, 1943 in Lansing. She was a member of the Michigan Bow Hunters Association and Michigan Road Builders Association. Betty was named the Woman's National Field Archery Champion in 1952. She was also a competitive roller skater.

She is survived by her children, Michael (Virginia) Lifford of Dimondale, James (Marijo) Lifford of Mason and Patricia (Russell) Papendick of Grayling, eight grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, and her sister-in-law, Betty Beers of Jackson.

A memorial service was held on November 11 at the Bear Lake Christian Church, Reverend David Rosenberg officiating.

Memorial contributions may be made in her behalf to the Bear Lake Volunteer Fire Department, 198 E. Bear Lake Road, Kalkaska, MI 49646.

Arrangements by Wolfe Funeral Home, Kalkaska.

Kathleen "Katy" B. Hawley

Aug. 13, 1938 - Nov. 7, 2002

Kathleen "Katy" B. Hawley, 64, of Grayling, died November 7 at Munson Medical Center, Traverse City.

She was born on August 13, 1938 in Beaver Creek Township. She was married to Chester James Hawley on November 21, 1956.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Chester; her father Cecil James Canfield; son William Hawley and granddaughter Montana Allison.

She is survived by her mother, Clois Hattie Barrington; three daughters: Ginger (Dunne) Beck of Grayling, Dawn (Ken) Stoddard, of Grayling and Melissa (Randy) Allison, of Grayling; three sons, Lee, Saginaw, Alan, of Grayling and Chad (Amy), of Grayling. She is also survived by 18 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, two sisters, Betty Hawley and Judy (Bob) Cooper, of Grayling.

Funeral services were held at Sorenson Funeral Home on November 11, officiated by Dr. Robert Barnett, pastor. Burial was in Beaver Creek Township Cemetery.

Arrangements by: Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

Card of Thanks

The Grayling Free Methodist Church would like to thank all the merchants and individuals who helped to make Trunk or Treat a positive evening for Grayling's young and old alike.

Despite the bitter cold and threats of snow, over 700 people came out to enjoy the festivities. Adult visitors were greeted with hot apple cider and homemade apple strudel, then were off with their kids to fill their bags with candy, play games, go on a hayride or warm themselves by the bonfire.

Donations of candy, time, equipment, and energy helped to make this a fun, wholesome, and safe night for all. It was truly a night for "community" in the purest sense of the word.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this possible.

The Grayling Free Methodist Church

Gladys L. Tufts

Feb. 15, 1917-Nov. 11, 2002
Gladys L. Tufts, age 85, of Grayling, died Monday, November 11 at Mercy Manor. She was born on February 15, 1917 in Capac, to Zachary and Edna May (Quillman) McKinstry.

Gladys was married to William Covey Tufts on September 11, 1982 in Grayling at Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church, who preceded her in death on April 19, 2001.

Mrs. Tufts, a resident of Grayling since 1970, was retired from Allied Supermarket where she worked as head cashier.

She was a member of Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church and a member of the Order of Eastern Star. She volunteered at Mercy Hospital for 30 years with the Women's Auxiliary. She also volunteered at River House Shelter.

She enjoyed quilting and crocheting, traveling, playing pinocchio and spending time with her family and friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, first husband Stanley Wysocki on September 9, 1976, second husband Eugene McKnight on September 23, 1976, son Gerald Wysocki on September 11, 1986, one brother Neil McKinstry and one great-grandson James Paul Martin on November 15, 1992.

She is survived by two sons: Robert C. (Dorothy) Wysocki from Mio and Tom Wysocki of Traverse City; one daughter-in-law Grace Stearns of Clinton Township, 11 grandchildren, 34 great-grandchildren, nine great-great grandchildren, and one sister, Melba Smith of Dryden.

Funeral services will be held on Friday, November 15 at 11 a.m. at Michelson Memorial United Methodist church, with visitation at Sorenson Funeral Home, on Thursday from 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. Reverend Jeffrey Jagger will officiate and burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery.

Memorials may be made to Michelson Memorial United Methodist Church or the River House Shelter, Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

James A. Dannenberg

July 5, 1936 - Nov. 11, 2002

James A. Dannenberg, 66, of Grayling, died November 11 at Grayling Nursing Centre.

He was born on July 5, 1936 in Detroit and moved to Grayling in 1943.

Mr. Dannenberg married the former Linda L. Malon on January 19, 1962.

He was a retired employee of the Department of Defense, MATES Division.

He was a member of the Gold Prospectors Association. He was an avid outdoorsman who enjoyed hunting and fishing. He also enjoyed traveling.

He was preceded in death by his parents, John Arthur and Bertha Belle (McClain); and daughter-in-law, Linda S. Dannenberg.

He is survived by his wife Linda L., one daughter, Cheryl (Mark) Jacobs of Grayling, four sons, James, John (Toni Sylvester), Jay (Pam), Joe (Melanie), all of Grayling, six grandchildren, Lena and Jim Bokkert, of Grayling, James Dannenberg III, Shantia Jacobs, Noah Dannenberg, Nathan and Samantha Sylvester, two great-grandchildren, Kayla and Cody Bokkert.

Funeral services will be held at Sorenson Funeral Home on November 14 at 10:30 a.m. Visitation will be on November 13 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Burial will be at Elmwood Cemetery, Grayling.

Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer's Association. Arrangements by Sorenson Funeral Home, McEvers Chapel, Grayling.

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Sheriff warns of deceptive telemarketing caller tactics

Hundreds of annoying telephone solicitations continue to plague the citizens of Crawford County, according to Sheriff Kirk Wakefield, who said his office receives numerous complaints from citizens and local businesses regarding telemarketers.

Due to the increase in solicitation calls, Sheriff Wakefield is reminding everyone that his professional organization, the Michigan Sheriffs' Association (MSA), does not conduct telephone solicitation, nor does the Michigan Chiefs of Police or the Michigan State Police. It is important for citizens to know these groups are not solicitors and do not endorse any type of telephone solicitation.

Two governmental agencies provide protection from abusive and deceptive telemarketing sales practices: the Federal Communications Commission with the Consumer Protection Act, and the Federal Trade Commission with the Telemarketing Sales Rules. These rules protect consumers and make it illegal for telemarketers to: call you if you have clearly stated that you want to be added to their "Do Not Call List;" call before 8 a.m. and/or after 9 p.m.; tie up your home telephone line with auto-dialed and pre-recorded messages.

Sheriff Wakefield said anyone with questions or concerns about possibly abusive or deceptive telemarketing calls, should feel free to call (989) 348-4616 and report the incident(s).

Crawford corrections officer now certified

Corrections Officer Amanda Rohn (center) successfully completed the Michigan Correctional Officers' Training Council's 160-hour Local Corrections Training Program and received her certificate October 11. The program was held in Traverse City. Shown with Officer Rohn is Crawford County Jail Administrator, Captain Scott Feldhauser, and Crawford County Sheriff Kirk Wakefield.



Photo courtesy of the Crawford County Sheriff's Office

Motorists urged to drive safely when snow flies



The Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) recently stepped up its driver education efforts in hopes that motorists will navigate the roadways more safely this winter season.

"Safety is a top priority for us at MDOT," said State Transportation Director Gregory J. Rosine. "We'll do our part to ensure the roadways are clear of snow and ice, but it's

imperative that motorists drive safely and responsibly all winter long."

Poor driver behavior causes many unnecessary crashes each year. Motorists should remember the following when traveling during the cold, winter months:

- Be cautious of bridges that can be icy when the approaching pavement is clear and dry;
- Always wear your safety belt and be sure children are properly buckled up;
- Slow down when visibility is low or when road conditions are snowy or icy;
- Accelerate and brake slowly and avoid abrupt steering maneuvers;

• Don't pump anti-lock brakes. MDOT also is reminding motorists about its annual "Don't Crowd the Plow" campaign and the safe winter driving brochure available at department offices.

"It's really simple," said Rosine. "Our plow drivers have a tough job to do. If motorists would give them more room to work, the work would get done safer and more efficiently."

A link to the Michigan Department of Transportation, or MDOT, can be found at the state's web site: www.michigan.gov.

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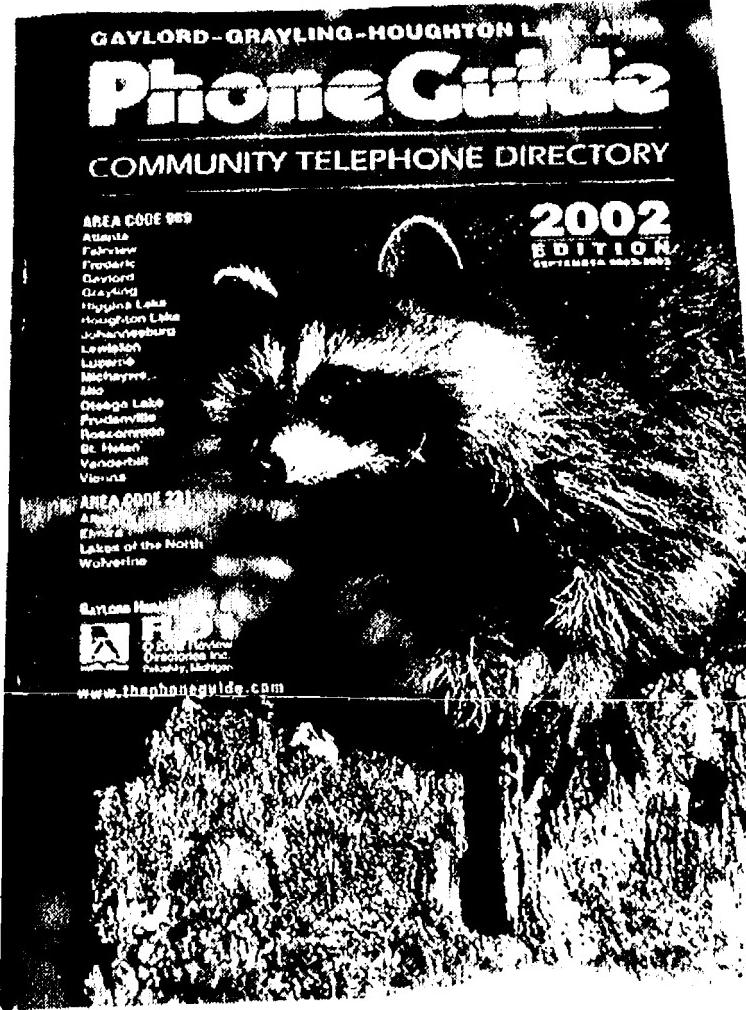
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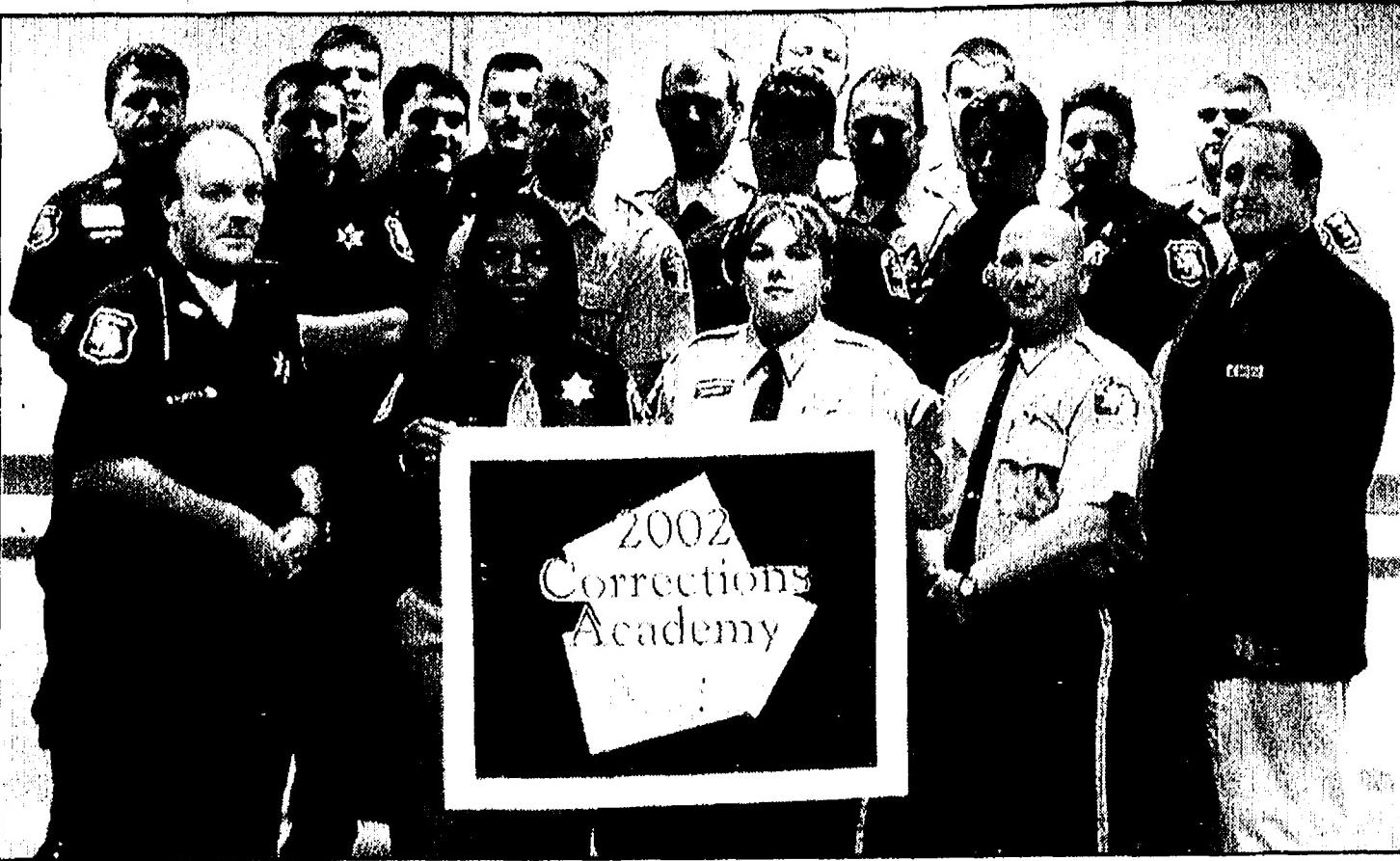


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KCC Corrections Academy graduates 18

Ceremonies were held October 10 for the latest graduating class of the Kirtland Community College's Corrections Academy.

Eighteen area jail employees were honored recently, when Kirtland Community College (KCC) celebrated the completion of its fifth Corrections Academy.

Joining the trainees for an informal graduation ceremony on October 10 in the KCC Student Center were families and friends, as well as area sheriff's, undersheriff's and jail administrators. For Clare County Sheriff Jeff Goyt, who was the featured speaker, the event sparked memories of his own graduation from what was then called "Jailer Training," in the same KCC building, just three days shy of 30 years earlier.

Goyt shared stories of the early days of corrections, when officers were called "turnkeys" and often lived in quarters adjacent to the jail.

In those days, Goyt said, the jailer

doubled as dispatcher and was generally alone throughout the work shift. Each turnkey maintained radio contact with his counterparts in other nearby counties. A significant lapse of time since the last communication would indicate a possible problem in the cellblock, and one of the other counties would notify the state police to check on the missing jailer.

Gladwin County Corrections Officer Kelly Wykoff, who was the student speaker, earned top honors among the graduates. KCC Corrections Coordinator Charles Hinman said the race was close for the Outstanding Student award; in fact, the lead changed twice on the final day of training.

Trainees from 11 area counties completed the 160-hour program, earning certification through the

Michigan Correctional Officers' Training Council as well as college credits. The graduates included Ogemaw County Corrections Officers Don Sheltrown and Chris Tuck; Angela Ackley and Nathan Spencer of Roscommon County; Grant Fox of Arenac County; Scott Gagnon, Alpena County; Teresa Wilbert, Bay County; Brian Crittenden, Cheboygan County; Darrel Schanck, Shawn Sellen, Brian Tomaski and Chris Williams, Clare County; Sam Hunt, Emmet County; Wykoff and Nora Seelbach, Gladwin County; Michelle Lounsbury, Missaukee County; Jim Boldt and Don Church, Oscoda County.

The Corrections Academy was funded primarily by a grant from the Michigan Commission on Law Enforcement Standards. The program is one of several in-service courses offered throughout the year by the Corrections Training Consortium of Northern Michigan, for which Kirtland Community College serves as a coordinating agency.

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Dr. Patricia Duley will enhance women's knowledge about heart disease at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, November 20 at the Gaylord Evangelical Free Church. The program concludes Otsego Memorial Hospital's 2002 Women's Health Series.

"Coronary artery disease is the leading cause of mortality for adult women in the United States, accounting for one third of all deaths," said Dr. Duley. "One in nine women in the United States aged 45 to 64 years and one in three 65 years or older have clinical manifestation of coronary artery disease."

This evening is designed to help women optimize healthcare for themselves both mentally and physically, so they in return can be there for the needs of their family. Dr. Duley will be discussing prevention of coronary artery disease and how it manifests in women. Topics will include hypertension, diabetes, smoking, exercise, the evaluation of chest pain and more.

Dr. Duley is a specialist in Internal Medicine. She has been a member of the medical staff at Otsego Memorial Hospital since 1991. Her



Dr. Patricia Duley

office is located at 606 N. Court Street, in Gaylord.

The program is from 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. at the Gaylord Evangelical Free Church. There is no charge to attend. Pre-registration is not required. For more information on the Women's Health Series, call the Marketing Department at Otsego Memorial Hospital at (989) 731-2383.

To learn more about Dr. Duley's medical services, contact her office at (989) 731-1490.

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Central Michigan University

Central Michigan University announced that the following students graduated from the university in August, 2002:

Travis M. Hopp of Grayling with

a Bachelor of Science Degree, Corey R. Northrop of Grayling with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration Degree, and Jessica M. St. Germain with a Bachelor of Science Degree.

Mercy ER's 'excellent service' recognized

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Mercy Hospital Grayling was chosen as a finalist for the award from a field of 400 abstracts and was a finalist for two awards: Improving performance to benchmark levels and Rapid replication of innovation. Mercy Grayling was recognized for its innovation for rapid replication of systems to improve how patients are cared for and treated in the Emergency Department.

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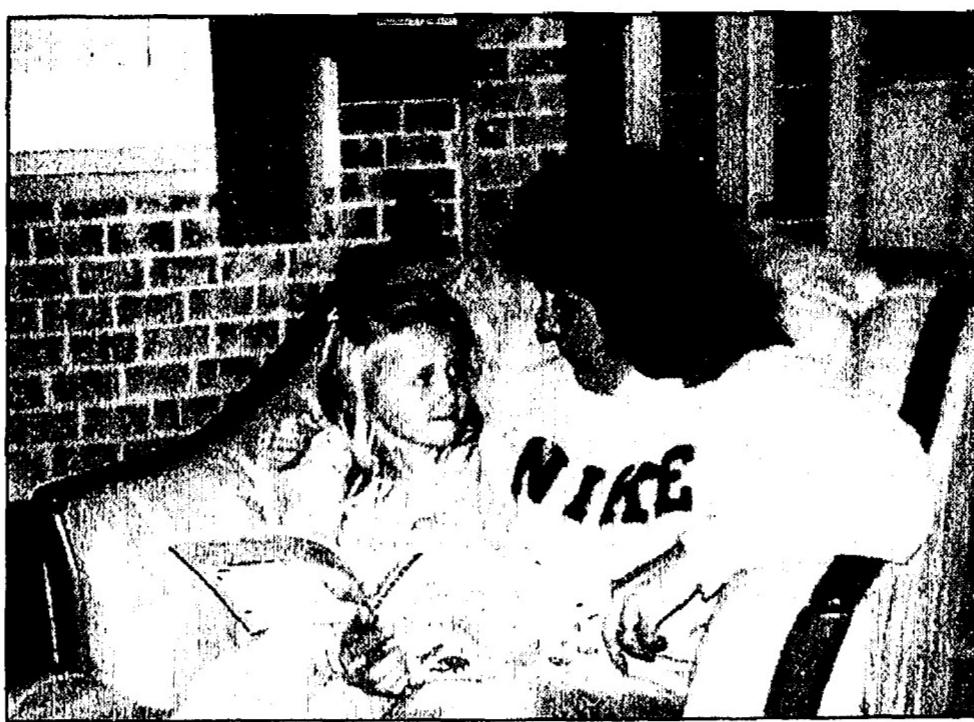
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## Housecalls help families, preschool teachers connect



The parents of each student enrolled at the Crawford AuSable School District's preschool receive three visits each year when parents are informed about their child's progress in the classroom, both academically and socially. Parts of the curriculum are explained and modeled. Tyler Helsel and Ms. Gloria Moore (left) discuss a book about size comparisons. A math activity follows which allows Tyler to demonstrate what she knows and serves as an example for parents to try during a later time together. During the same visit Tyler's mom, Michelle Helsel (right) and Karyn Rauch-Smock discussed Tyler's progress in a variety of areas. Smock shares information and gives ideas of things to do at home that would further enhance Tyler's early development.

## THE POWER SPOT

News from Grayling Elementary & AuSable Primary Schools

Safety Patrol Student for the month of October is Jessica Pickell.

With the help of many volunteers, the recent Grayling Elementary Library's Book Fair raised \$6,917.81. The proceeds will benefit both the Grayling Elementary and AuSable Primary School libraries.

Mrs. Pam Williams' first grade class celebrated President Theodore "Teddy" Roosevelt's birthday with a Teddy Bear Day. As the story goes, Teddy was a hunter but refused to shoot the young bear. A popular cartoonist drew a picture telling the story, which fed to Morris Michtom a toy maker, and his wife into making a stuffed bear to sell and they put a sign on it that said "Teddy's Bear."

Mrs. Cheryl Hatfield and Mrs. Pam Alexander's first grade classes walked over to Mercy Manor extended care facility, where they painted pumpkins and sang songs.

The residents gave each student a bag of treats. The classes are hoping to visit the manor once a month. The students really enjoyed their time at Mercy Manor, as we are sure the residents enjoyed the children as well.

The AP/GE PTO sponsored Pumpkin Night, filled with pumpkin painting, tattoos, raffles, cider and doughnuts and with baby animals from the Barnyard Babies petting zoo. The children decorated the cafeteria with their handmade Halloween projects from the classrooms, which really created a nice Halloween atmosphere. Everybody received a Halloween pencil at the end of the event.

The first graders participated in a

"Halloween Switch." The kids in each room divided into six groups and each group were sent to a different first grade room. Each teacher planned an activity to do with the kids. This was a lot of fun... for the kids and the teachers.

"Mrs. Kim Kanary's fourth grade class visited Citizens Bank. We had a tour of the bank and we were able to see the offices and the machines they use. Our class also had a chance to see how money is sorted and where the money is placed. The class went downstairs and saw a lot of computers. We got to make thumbprints on a piece of paper like when the customers come in. Also, we received a dollar coin with a red Citizens Bank pen. Which we really appreciated. These things are done for our classroom mini-society." Submitted by Rebecca Sloan.

The first graders went to Kirtland Community College to see Mark Nizer, an internationally-known juggler. His presentation incorporated science, math, music, and physical education.

Cold weather is approaching fast. Make sure children are dressed appropriately for the weather and label their belongings. Everyone goes out for recess.

The Title One program at Grayling Elementary School has a Take Home Reading Program designed to help students and parents implement and support at home the good reading strategies the students practice in school. Books are selected according to each student's reading level and

journals are issued for student writing and parents comments. Parents receive a package containing a four-day lesson plan.

Grayling Elementary will host its first "Reading Parent Night" on Tuesday, November 19 at 6 p.m. and includes dinner for participating families, with a reading workshop to follow. Day care services will be provided at the school for younger siblings. Those interested should send the RSVP form back to the school by November 13.

Mrs. Kim Kanary's fourth grade class read the story, "The Hundred Penny Box," then created a penny time line of their own consisting of a penny for each year since birth and a specific highlight for each year. A lot of hard work and quality family time was put into this project.

Everyone is asked to continue sending in Campbell's Soup labels and Box Tops for Education. The money raised will be used for special events for the students. The AuSable Primary School is holding a contest to reach the goal of 7,000 box tops to raise \$1,012. The staff is also participating with a contest of their own. Box tops and labels can be sent to school with a student, dropped off at one of the offices, or mailed to AuSable Primary School, 306 Plum Street, Grayling, MI 49738.

Just a reminder: School will be in session November 15, the opening day of firearm deer season. Visit the schools' web site at: [www.casd12.net](http://www.casd12.net).

## LIBRARY NEWS

Frederic Community Library

The Lions Club of Frederic donated \$476.36 for the purchase of new audio books, a real benefit for the library and its patrons. An array of selections have been chosen, from mysteries to non-fiction "talking books."

Friends of the Crawford County Library donated another large selection of books to help fill the shelves.

Those who haven't seen all the improvements at the Frederic Community Library may wish to attend the Open House scheduled

for Thursday, December 5, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. The event is an opportunity to recognize all the people who worked together to make the improvements a reality. Refreshments will be served.

Coming in January: Scrapbooking with Tammy Elgart who will give step-by-step instructions on how to scrapbook. For more information, call the library at 348-4067.

Frederic Community Library hours are: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.; Saturday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

## The Grayling Nursing Centre invites you to attend our monthly Community Connection Everyone is welcome!

### November's Topic

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By: Loretta Miller, MMAF volunteer from Otsego County Commission on Aging

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## Fly fishing book collection honors TU founders

In the heart of what many consider the "Mecca" of midwest fly fishing country, between the famous AuSable and Manistee rivers, the birthplace of Trout Unlimited, the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library has established a special collection of trout fly fishing literature.

Named the George Griffith & Marion Wright Memorial Collection, the literature will occupy an honored place in the new library, located in Grayling, Michigan. Griffith was the prime mover in the founding of Trout Unlimited (TU) and Wright was a past president, board member and tireless worker for trout habitat improvement.

"It is fitting that Crawford County and Grayling be the center for this collection, since trout fishing is so much a part of our life and tourism here," said Library Director Edward Elsner in launching the collection.

"And we are a part of the trout fishing lives of thousands of fishermen who come from all parts of the country and world to fish our famous streams," he said. "They can browse the collection between hatches. Anyone with a Michigan or a five dollar deposit can check out a book."

Joining Elsner in announcing the collection was Robert Wright of Walled Lake, Michigan, son of the late Marion Wright, whose private

library of fly fishing books was donated to the library to launch the collection.

Also joining Elsner was Robert Andrus, president of the Mason-Griffith Chapter of Trout Unlimited (TU) in Grayling, where TU was born in 1929. The TU president and a board member of the chapter appointed by him, Dr. Paul Mesack initially, will serve on the collection's advisory committee. Detroit Free Press Outdoor Writer Eric Sharp, a local resident, will also serve on the advisory committee.

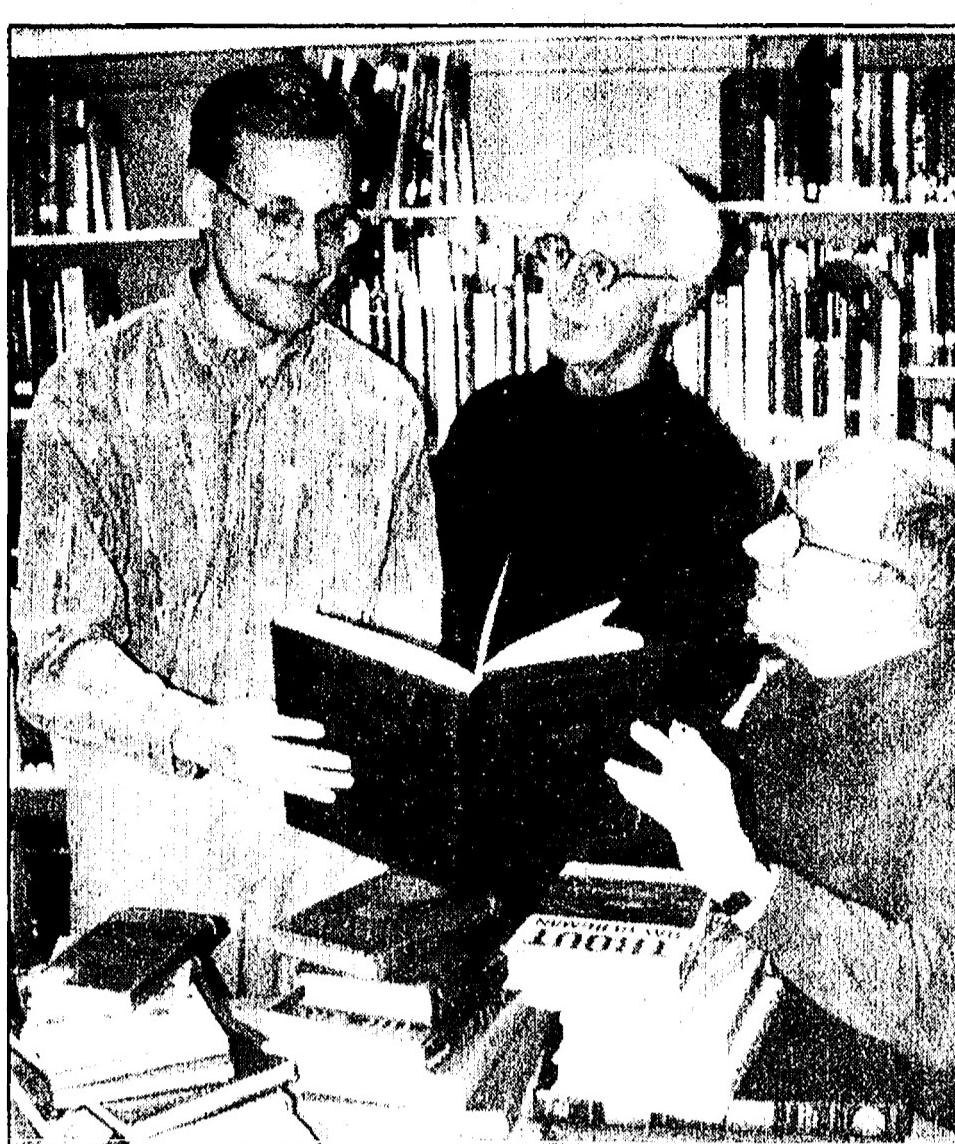
Elsner invites all trout fishermen from coast to coast to share their "collectible" books with other fishermen by donating them to the collection and to stop in and enjoy the collection when visiting Grayling.

Books may be sent to Edward Elsner, postage paid, or dropped off at the Devereaux Memorial Crawford County Library, 201 Plum St., Grayling, MI 49738; phone (989) 348-9214. Contribution receipts for tax purposes can be issued.

Memorial donations may also be made for purchase of books in the name of a loved one.

The Devereaux Library holdings catalogue may be viewed on the web at: [www.nlc.lib.mi.us/members/crawford/](http://www.nlc.lib.mi.us/members/crawford/). Books approved for circulation will be forwarded to the local library of the person requesting them.

Marion Wright's books donated to the collection range from a limited



Edward Elsner, Crawford Library Director (left), and Bob Andrus, President of the Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited (center), look over the fly fishing literature collection donated by Robert Wright. The collection belonged to his father, Marion Wright, a past president of the Mason-Griffith Founders Chapter of Trout Unlimited.

edition of George Griffith's For the Love of Trout, signed by the author, and the rare The Fly and the Fish by John Atherton, to a signed and noted copy of Art Flick's new Streamside Guide and A.J. McClane's The Practical Fly Fisherman.

George A. Griffith, who died on April 7, 1998, at the age of 97, achieved a national reputation for his work in protecting and promoting trout fishing. It was at his lodge, The Barbless Hook, on the AuSable River in 1959 that a group of like-minded fly fishermen conceived Trout Unlimited, now a national organization with 500 chapters and 125,000 members.

The former Ida Mae Walters is a first-time author. She will be signing her book from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. during a reception sponsored by the Kirtland Ms. Club.

Founded in 1974, the club provides support for students through limited financial assistance, including emergency loans and grants.

dent of the Mason Chapter of TU and was on the board of the Griffith Foundation.

An avid "weekend" trout fisherman throughout his professional life in Detroit, Wright retired to Grayling and devoted much of his last 25 years there to fishing and to protecting and promoting fly fishing for trout.

Further information on the George Griffith & Marion Wright Collection may be obtained from Edward Elsner at (989) 348-9214, or by emailing [CrawfordCoLib@lycos.com](mailto:CrawfordCoLib@lycos.com).

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The American Red Cross needs 3,800 people in Michigan to donate blood each week to maintain the proper supply of blood at the state's 75 hospitals. A person injured in a car crash can require between four and 40 pints of blood.

## Former KCC instructor returns for book signing

Former Kirtland English instructor Ida Mae Ireland will be back on campus Friday, November 15 to sign copies of her new book, "From Ashes -- A Deep Canyon Tale."

The former Ida Mae Walters is a first-time author. She will be signing her book from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. during a reception sponsored by the Kirtland Ms. Club.

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Here are a few tips to help your vehicle run better during the chilling winter months:

- Keep emergency items handy. Carrying basic emergency items in your vehicle could save your life. Always keep a set of jumper cables, an inflated spare tire, first aid kit and basic tools in the trunk of your vehicle. It's smart to include a shovel and a piece of carpet or sand to put under tires if they aren't gripping on the ice. Be sure to keep a sleeping bag and some blankets in the vehicle in case of break-

down. Transistor radios, flashlights and cell phones also are helpful items.

- Do a walkthrough of your vehicle. Before you head out on the road, check your vehicle's brakes, belts, locks, hoses and tire pressure. Also, be sure to check your charging system, battery, battery cables and alternator to ensure proper operation.

- Maintain proper fluid levels. Oil, coolant, transmission fluid, brake fluid and gas are the basic fluids your car will need to survive this winter.

Selecting the right oil for your vehicle is as important as selecting the proper clothing for the winter elements. Oil keeps the engine properly lubricated and should always be clean and plentiful.

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- Keep a clear view when you drive. Keeping an ice scraper and snowbrush in your vehicle is good practice. It is important that your wiper blades are in good condition and work well. Applying a water repellent such as Castrol AccuVision to the exterior of your windshield and wind-

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- Clean your car. Harsh winter elements such as salt and other de-icing chemicals can cause serious damage to the body and bottom of a vehicle. Wash your vehicle on dry, warmer days. For best results, vehicles should be washed with detergents made for cleaning cars' painted surfaces, such as Castrol Super Clean Car Wash.

While breakdowns and accidents do happen, following these simple tips can help prevent them from occurring this winter. For more information on driving safety and other car care tips, visit [www.castrolusa.com/asktheexpert](http://www.castrolusa.com/asktheexpert).

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## Winter Tips From NAPA's Top Tech

(FALL/WINTER 2002)

Old man winter is coming. In his weathered luggage he's carrying cold, snow and ice, and he's rarely just an overnight guest. If you and your car aren't ready for his arrival, you may want to start thinking about the handful of tools and tasks that can keep his patented brand of frozen corrosion at bay.

Having lived and worked in Buffalo, New York — winter's unofficial U.S. residence — Jim Piraino knows a thing or two about the freezing season. As the 2002 NAPA/ASE Technician of the Year, he knows a thing or two about car care, as well, and offered his top-five tips on getting your vehicle ready for winter regardless of the climate in your community.

Whether your winter is more mild than wild, your car's cooling system deserves a seasonal assessment. Keeping your engine coolant from freezing in the wintertime is the job of the

antifreeze. Keeping this vital fluid up to snuff requires an annual flush and regular maintenance, according to Piraino. He also warns those with aluminum radiators to keep an eye out for oxidation. That flaky white crust can form on the outside of the radiator and slowly erode its effectiveness.

Tire care is the second item on Piraino's list of top tips. Severe conditions in your area may require a tire change for winter. In most cases, though, proper maintenance of your all-season tires is all that's required to ensure safe travel, worry-free wear and optimum mileage.

Keeping your car properly aligned and your tires inflated to the recommended pressures are the best exercises. Refer to your owner's manual or the sticker inside your doorsill for the manufacturer's suggested tire pressures.

Windshield wipers and washer fluid are two tools that keep the

road in plain view. Their proper operation is imperative if you expect to keep the windshield clean and free of ice and salty residue. Piraino suggests replacing your wiper blades every two years if wear and tear doesn't demand it sooner. Keeping your washer fluid reservoir full is the best way to make sure you don't lose visibility at critical times this winter.

While it may not be something you think about in terms of winter car care, Piraino says brake maintenance is among the most important upkeep items this time of year. Because braking efficiency declines when roads and brake systems get wet, winter is when you can expect troubles to turn up. Now is the ideal time to get your brake parts and brake fluid inspected and, if necessary, replaced. Piraino also suggests getting familiar with your anti-lock braking system (ABS) before a risky winter situation demands it.

Applying your ABS brakes in a safe place will allow you to re-familiarize yourself with the feel and function of the system before you have to employ it in earnest.

Piraino's fifth tip is to check your battery. This simple test can be performed by your local car care specialist in a matter of minutes and save you from being unnecessarily stranded for hours out in the cold.

Taking these few simple steps today can make all the difference in the world when old man winter arrives.

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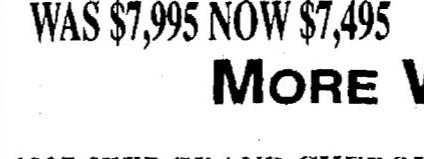
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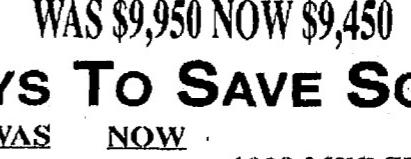
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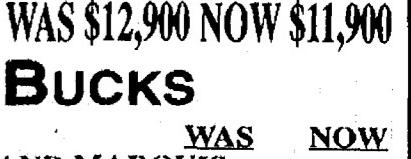
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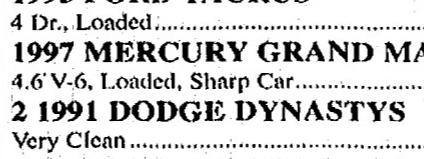
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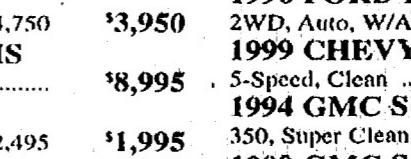
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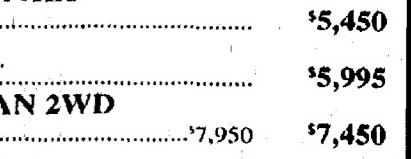
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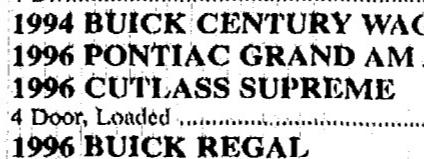
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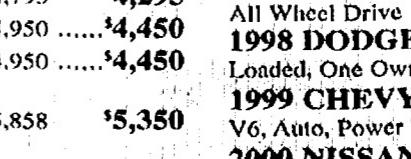
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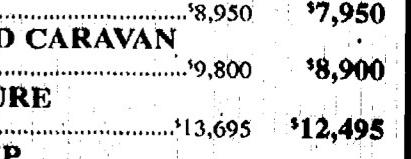
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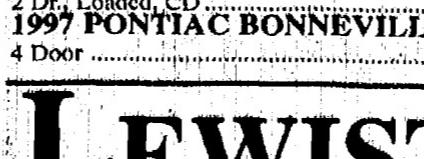
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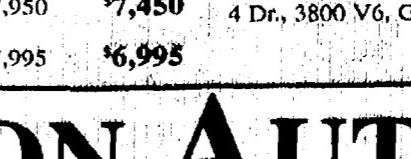
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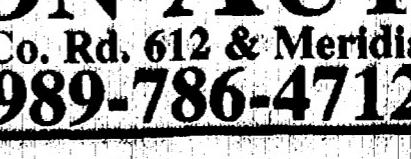
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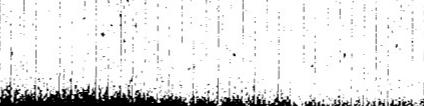
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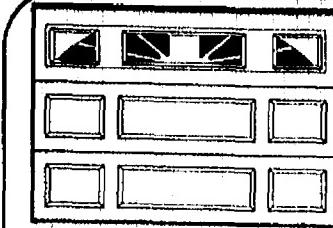


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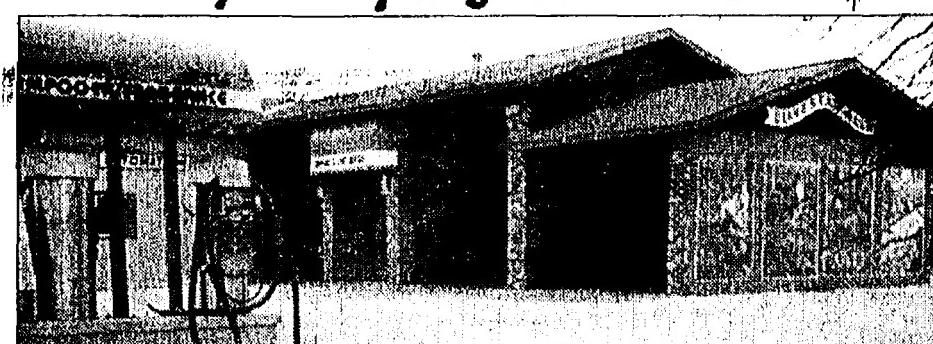
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# WINTER CAR SECRETS

## Why Winter Is Good for Your Car

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Preparing for the arrival of winter is a lot like getting ready for houseguests. Without the occasional weekend visitor, that sticky counter top might never get cleaned. And without the advent of winter, many cars might never see the inside of a service facility. The Car Care Council reminds motorists to have the following items checked before freezing weather sets in:

**Tune up** – Although these days a tune up is often referred to as a "performance or engine analysis" the intent is the same, to make certain your engine is running properly. This process addresses problems such as rough idling, poor acceleration, hard starts, weak acceleration or poor fuel economy.

**Cooling System** – Every two years the cooling system should be flushed and refilled with fresh antifreeze, also referred to as coolant. To ensure maximum protection, the rule of thumb for this mixture is 50% water and 50% coolant. If your system has been flushed in the last 24 months, double-check the coolant's freeze protection for the approaching winter season.

**Note:** Many vehicles are equipped with special components/coolant designed to last for 5-years or 150,000 miles.

Although this is an extended interval, motorists should be aware that this coolant does require changing. In addition, this special coolant should not be mixed with standard antifreeze.

**Heater and defroster** – This system ensures both comfort and visibility. Have it checked (including proper operation of all ducts) prior to the onset of cold weather.

**Exhaust system** – Throughout the winter months we read news reports of deaths due to carbon monoxide poisoning: leaking exhaust is to blame. This can be prevented with an on-the-lift inspection for holes in mufflers or exhaust pipes that allow the deadly gasses to escape into the car.

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**Battery** – Your battery grows weaker in cold weather. A battery's power is reduced by 35%

when the thermometer drops to freezing and 60% when the temperature dips to zero. Ask your technician to check the battery. He/she should scrape any corrosion from the posts/cable connections and check the fluid level when appropriate.

**Hoses and belts** – Many new cars have several hoses but only one belt. This makes service an important issue. Ask your technician check these for any cracks or tears. Mushy feeling hoses need to be replaced. Check the owner's manual for a belt/hose replacement schedule. If you have lots of miles on your vehicle, you might want to do a complete changeover before winter.

**Wiper blades** – Heat and the summer sun take their toll on windshield wipers. If your blades are cracking, chattering or smearing invest in new ones.

Those designed to dislodge ice from the windshield can be especially helpful. Invest in an ice scraper, and keep your washer reservoir filled. This will ensure that you'll never have to peer through a grimy windshield.

**Tires** – Driving on worn tires is scary in any weather, especially winter. Make sure your tires are wearing evenly and that all treads are at least 1/16th of an inch in depth. Many motorists in cold climates replace all season

tires with winter tires. These are designed with special compounds that grip ice and dispel water.

Too much air pressure reduces traction and handling; too little air also makes for poor handling and increases rolling resistance, which increases fuel usage. Keep tires inflated to owner's manual recommendations and check pressure monthly on "cool" tires. Don't forget to check the spare.

**Fuel** – Keep your gas tank at least half-full. This serves two purposes. First, you'll never be caught with an empty tank. Second, condensation will be less likely to take place, keeping water out of your fuel tank.

Finally, don't forget to prepare yourself for an emergency. Cell phones are great but not always 100% reliable. Consider the worst case scenario and pack your car accordingly. Don't forget blankets, flares, a flashlight, snacks, water and vital medications.

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## Protect the Environment, Follow These Auto Tips

(NUI) - Earth-protective alternative-fueled and hybrid vehicles are gaining market share but still account for a small percentage of vehicles on the road.

But motorists who want to "go

green" in the meantime don't have to change vehicles to help the environment. Instead, they should change a few habits, according to the experts at the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence.

ASE recommends two easy-to-implement strategies: regular vehicle maintenance and better driving habits. The following tips from ASE can put you on the road to environmentally conscious car care:

• Keep the engine running at peak performance. A misfiring spark plug can reduce fuel effi-

cency as much as 30 percent. Replace filters and fluids as recommended in the manual.

• Take care of your tires. Keep them properly inflated and aligned to reduce the engine's effort and gasoline consumption.

• Find a good technician. Ask friends for recommendations. Check the reputation of the repair shop with your local consumer group. Check out the technicians' credentials. ASE-certified auto technicians have passed one or more national exams in specialties such as engine performance and air con-

ditioning.

• Have your vehicle's air conditioner serviced only by a technician certified to handle and recycle refrigerants. Older air conditioners contain ozone-depleting chemicals which could be released into the atmosphere through improper service.

• Conserve gasoline. Avoid speeding and sudden acceleration; both habits guzzle gas. When waiting for friends or family, shut off the engine. Consolidate daily errands to eliminate unnecessary driving.

• Remove excess items from the vehicle. Less weight means better mileage. After a trip, remove the luggage carrier from the roof of your car.

• If you do your own repairs, properly dispose of engine fluids and batteries. Call your local government to find out how. Some repair facilities also accept these items.

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# It's All In the Timing

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With automotive engines as with many aspects of daily life, timing is critical. One vehicle component often overlooked during routine maintenance is the engine timing belt. If it fails, the engine will stop and the car will coast to a stop. The lucky motorist will only have the inconvenience of being stranded on the side of the road.

On the other hand, the engine might suffer severe damage to its internal components. This potential disaster can be avoided easily and relatively inexpensively by replacing the timing belt within the required replacement interval.

Timing belts resemble an engine accessory serpentine

belt in appearance, only they typically have square teeth on the inside surface. They usually are constructed of rubber reinforced with nylon. Simply put, the timing belt transfers the rotation of the crankshaft to the camshaft. The rotating camshaft activates the valves, which provide air and fuel to the cylinders and expel combustion gases to the exhaust system.

The valves and pistons are constantly moving up and down at very high speeds. When the pistons are down, the valves are open; when the piston is at the top of its travel, the valves are closed. Some engines don't allow clearance between a valve at its lowest point and a piston at its highest. The timing

belt, therefore, is the critical link to ensure that these components don't collide. If collision occurs, damage to the valves, pistons, cylinder head, and cylinder walls can result. This can be an expensive repair.

Many domestic vehicles built within the last several years and the majority of imports are equipped with a timing belt. Other engines rely on a timing chain rather than a belt. Refer to your owner's manual or take your car to a repair facility if you are unsure.

Because timing belts usually are protected from foreign objects by a cover, visual inspection is impossible. The owner's manual maintenance schedule is a source of timing

belt replacement intervals, typically every 60,000 to 90,000 miles.

Timing belt replacement usually requires removal of the engine drive belt that operates the alternator, water pump, power steering pump, and air conditioner. Consider replacing this belt, or multiple belts, when having a new timing belt installed.

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## Get the Most Out of Your Car With Regular Care

(NUI) - At any time of year, it is very important to take proper care of your vehicle.

The following simple and inexpensive preventive checks will greatly extend the life of your vehicle, ensure safer operation and benefit the environment:

- Check all fluids. This includes brake, power steering, transmission/transaxle fluids, windshield washer solvent and antifreeze.

- Check your tires for proper inflation. This should be done once per month. Under-inflated tires can result in a loss of fuel efficiency and can pose a risk to the tire itself.

- Lubricate the chassis. This can extend the life of the vehicle's suspension system.

- Check battery cables and posts for corrosion. The battery fluid also should be checked; add fluid if the level is low.
- Make sure all lights are working properly. Check the lighting system often, including brake and taillights, headlights, and turn signals.
- Keep your engine tuned. A fouled spark plug or restricted fuel injector can hinder fuel efficiency, increase emissions and cause problems when you drive.

- Get your oil changed regularly. Remember that top grade synthetic oils offer benefits that conventional oils cannot. For instance, Castrol Syntec protects the engine, reduces oil consumption, is resistant to oil thickening, and provides wear pro-

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- Keep your windows and windshield clean. Make sure the windshield washer blades are free from cracks and change them approximately once a year or as directed by your owner's manual. It is always a good idea to treat your windshield with a rain repellent like Castrol

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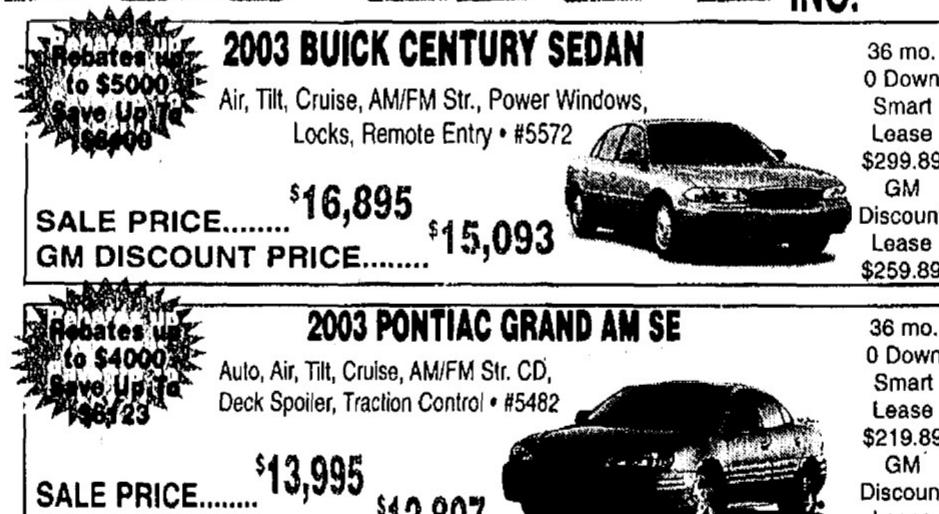
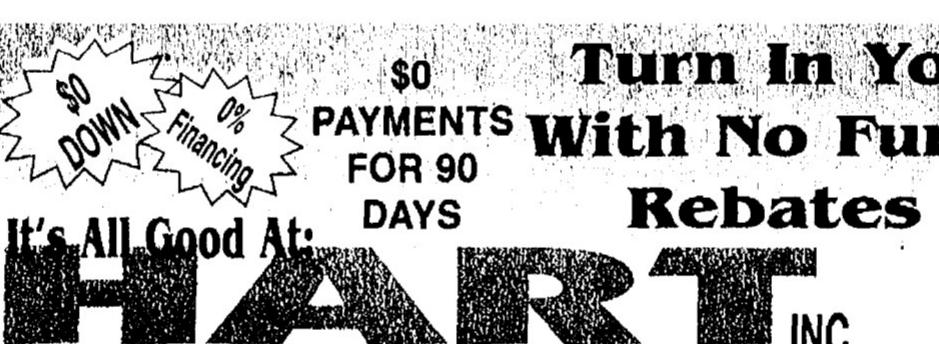
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Fall has arrived and along with changing leaves and football season, the air becomes cooler reminding us that winter is on its way. As you prepare yourself and your car or truck for the harsh weather ahead, keep in mind the preventative measures you will need to take in order to ensure that your vehicle remains in top condition.

#### Maintain and Retain Your Car's Value and Appearance

Keep your car in top condition this winter with regular professional washing and waxing.

Regular professional washing and waxing will help maintain your car's appearance as well as retain the value of your vehicle, according to the International Car Wash Association (ICA).

"Most car owners understand the value of changing motor oil regularly to protect the engine," explains Mark Thorsby, Executive Director of ICA, "but if they forget and instead choose to replace the engine, the car could still be as good as new. However, a car with oxidized paint and a rusted-out body can never be economically restored. The best prevention is regular washing and waxing at a professional car wash."

With more than 22,000 professional car washes around the world offering a wide range of services to protect a car's finish from deteriorating and the body from rust, there's no excuse not to keep your vehicle in great shape.

Professional car washes offer a range of services, from basic to extensive, to suit all of your car care needs. For starters, try an exterior only

tunnel wash to automatically provide applied protective waxes and undercarriage treatment.

Also consider detailing or custom polishing while at the wash for more extensive protection. By applying a premium polish and buffing it, you can restore the shine of your car. On the detail side, you can have everything done from vacuuming under the rugs in the trunk to swabbing air conditioner vents to get your car looking like new.

#### Self-Service Equals Fast Results

If you are running short on time, but need your car professionally cleaned, try a self-service car wash. Self-serves offer a variety of effective, self-cleaning services to choose from. For best results, be sure to follow the instructions posted in the self-service bay. First, you will start with a pre-soak to loosen road grime. The second step is the high pressure soap wash. For gentle scrubbing, use the foaming brush next, followed by the fresh water rinse. Remember to take advantage of the application of special tire and wheel cleaners. For maximum protection and shine, the wax application is a must. Finally, many self-serve washes offer a spot-free rinse. All the solutions

are specially formulated to protect and shine your car and to clean tough road dirt.

#### Protect Your Car from Winter's Hazards

Remember that the most damaging thing you can do to your car during the harsh winter weather is nothing! Do not worry about your car freezing. Washing the salt, slush and mud off your car in cold weather is essential.

The best thing you can do this winter is to wash your vehicle frequently at a professional car wash. Don't be afraid to wash it every few days if the temperature rises and then falls below the freezing level and you've been driving on salted roads. Washing should also include an undercarriage rinse (an option available at most professional car washes) so salt can be removed from hard-to-reach areas, such as the bumpers and in the wheel wells, which are likely to rust.

Winter is on its way and now is the time to get your car in gear for the harsh weather ahead. By taking preventative measures now and having your car professionally washed regularly, you will save time and money in the months to come.

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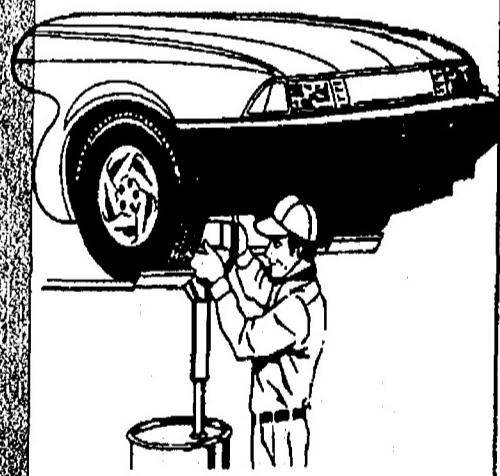
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# Annoying campaign phone calls worked—and likely to continue

by Jessica Hullett  
Capital News Service

LANSING — John Kreinbrink thinks those annoying campaign telephone calls might have done their job this year.

The chairman of the Mason County Republican Party said that voter turnout was high at the precinct where he voted and at a high school in another precinct.

"I think they're a matter of free speech," said Kreinbrink, who doesn't believe state action should be taken to curtail those calls. "But some committees should look at whether the prerecorded calls will help their candidate."

"I've talked to some people who wanted to vote for the other person after those calls."

The Mason County GOP doesn't

make campaign calls, but Kreinbrink said he received plenty at his home.

"They're a nuisance to people receiving them, but they can also alert voters to certain positions candidates have or that their opponents have," he said. "So they're annoying, but useful."

Jerome Rybicki, chairman of the Mason County Democratic Party, also received many calls to his home, all prerecorded. His group did not make campaign calls as a party, but Rybicki said members made calls on their own.

"Some people are tired of getting the calls, but only one person has complained to me," Rybicki said. "It's a right that people have (to make the calls), unless they overdo it and people won't vote for them."

"They (candidates who aren't voted for) won't be there next time."

U.S. Rep. Pete Hoekstra, R-Holland, said he got an earful about prerecorded calls from constituents in his district the last two weeks before the election.

"They hate 'em," he said. "A live voice would make a difference; it's a higher quality interaction."

"When you go door to door, people are just happy someone came to the door to give them stuff."

Hoekstra doesn't favor campaign calls, especially those that are prerecorded, and said he doesn't make them, but he isn't sure how something like that could be controlled at the state level.

"They're impersonal and not necessarily that effective," he said. "And they're cheap. I heard they cost

6 or 7 cents apiece.

"That tells me something about the quality."

Hoekstra, who was re-elected Nov. 5, did speak on a message for Sen. Jerry Van Woerkom, R-Muskegon, during Van Woerkom's campaign this year, but Hoekstra told Van Woerkom to start the message in his own voice.

"If people don't like the call, they'll hang up before they hear me," Hoekstra said. "It makes the candidate or party make the decision whether they want to make those calls."

Hoekstra's campaign was cut short because he was in Washington, D.C., until the middle of October. But he was still able to campaign in western Michigan, mostly on the radio, and also by making personal appearances. He also appeared in a bulk mailing sent to Ottawa County residents by the Republican Party.

At the state level, Ben Kohrman, director of communications for the Michigan Democratic Party, said his group made some live and some pre-recorded calls. Some were made early to people they thought would vote absentee and some were made later to remind people to vote.

"In all our calls, the callers identified themselves, told where they were from and were encouraging people to vote for Democrats," Kohrman said.

"None of our calls were of a negative nature."

Kohrman said he has heard few complaints about the calls this year because of those things, and because high profile Democratic officials made the calls, including Governor-elect Jennifer Granholm and U.S. Senators Carl Levin and Debbie Stabenow, talking about positive concepts.

"The calls are not uniformly effective," Kohrman said. "It depends on timing, the message and who's making them, and it differs from election to election."

"It's as much an art as it is a science. But we know they work; just not always with an identical effect."

The Michigan Republican Party also made both live and pre-recorded calls this year, which gave messages for or against candidates, according to press secretary Jason Brewer. He said Republican activists, such as rock musician Ted Nugent, usually made the calls; candidates often were not able to do so, except in smaller races.

"They seem to have worked," Brewer said of the calls. "If someone calls us to complain, we ask them if they want to be taken off our list and we'll do that."

"But just because they're taken off our list, doesn't mean the calls will stop from other committees."

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## Firearm deer season opens Friday

Day one could be a good one

With a decent amount of bucks in the wild and deer mating season in full swing, firearm deer hunters may be in for a good opening day.

Firearm deer season begins on Friday, November 15.

"The buck to doe ratio is pretty good right now," said Jack Millikin of Skip's Sport Shop. "The bucks are in full rut (mating) right now. It should be a pretty good opener unless the weather gets bad on opening day. Hunters may not want to go out if there's heavy rain or deep snow."

Millikin said that archery deer hunters have been reporting good success in the field – a good sign for firearm deer hunters.

The firearm deer hunting season runs from November 15 to November 30. The late firearm season starts December 23 and ends January 1.

### Hunters aren't concerned about wild game diseases

by Spiros Gallos  
Capital News Service

LANSING – Michigan hunters insist they're not too concerned with the threat of diseases infecting the wild game they hunt this season.

Still, hunters will need to consider chronic wasting disease (CWD) and the West Nile virus in the next few years.

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See "HUNTERS AREN'T..."

### BOW HUNTER FIRST TO TEST NEW BUCK POLE



Local bowhunter Pete Kocefas was the first person to display a deer on the new buck pole at Skip's Sport Shop. The buck pole, which collapsed last year during the Orange Coat Round Up competition, was recently rebuilt in time for this year's firearm deer season opener on Friday, November 15. Kocefas bagged this buck with his 50-year-old 1952 Bear Grizzly Bow on November 4.

### Hunt Smart, Hunt Safe

If you are one of the hundreds of thousands of hunters who take to the woods in pursuit of whitetail deer this fall, take a few minutes to review some basic safety information from Whitetails Unlimited that will ensure that everyone enjoys the hunt safely.

- Handle all firearms as if they were loaded, at all times.

Every year there are news stories of accidents where someone thought they were handling an unloaded firearm, and it fires and injures or kills someone. If you always consider a weapon to be loaded, and treat it accordingly, this won't happen.

- Watch where you point the muzzle of every firearm.

This takes diligence and awareness, but it is a skill that can be quickly developed. Always be aware of where other people are in relation to your muzzle, and let your hunting partners know if they are not being as careful as you are. It is easy to lose concentration when everyone is uncasing their guns at the back of the pickup, or when you are tired at the end of the day. Always point the muzzle in a safe direction.

- Don't rely on your firearm's safety.

A safety is a mechanical device, and it could fail at any time. Use it religiously except when you are ready to fire, but never assume that because the safety is on, you are 100 percent safe. Unload the firearm when not in use, and leave the action open, if possible.

Also, after you shoot, put the safety on before you take your first step.

- Be sure of your target, and what is in front and behind your target.

It is easy to get excited when you see that big buck, but first make sure that is really a deer, and if it is safe to shoot. Make sure there are no buildings, people or roads behind the deer that would be in danger if you miss or the bullet passes through the animal. If you are not 100 percent sure of where your hunting companions are, or if there isn't enough light or a clear sight line to the target, pass up the shot. You will get another chance at a deer, but sending a bullet out of your barrel without being sure of your target and background is an invitation to disaster.

- Take care of your firearms and ammunition, and treat them with respect.

Don't just grab a gun and some ammo that have been stored for months as you leave the house the morning of your hunt. Spend some time to make sure your equipment is in good shape. Take it out before the hunt to check the sights or scope. Make sure the barrel is not obstructed and that the action works properly. Make sure the ammunition matches the firearm. Never horseplay with firearms, and never climb a fence, ladder, tree or tree stand, or cross difficult or slippery terrain with a

loaded firearm. Also remember that you can set the example for everyone in your group, especially for younger hunters.

- Be safe if you are using a tree stand.

Never climb into the stand carrying your weapon. Unload your weapon and use a line to pull your gun or bow up after you have fastened your safety harness (remember to reload after you are settled). Reverse the process when you leave the tree stand. Always unload the weapon, and always use a safety harness or belt.

- Control your emotions.

After you shoot that 10-pointer, don't turn with your loaded firearm, with the safety off, toward your friends. Don't run to the downed animal, or chase off into someone else's firing lane. Rehearse in your mind what safe actions will be, and always be aware of your surroundings. Show some discipline and restraint, and don't take poor shots that may be unsafe.

- Be aware of any other circumstances that may affect safety.

If the landowner tells you to stay out of an area, respect his directions. Rain, fog, snow or sleet may reduce visibility or create hazardous conditions. Use common sense, and remember that a tragic accident can be the result of taking chances.

- Never mix alcohol or drugs with firearms.

The first drink of the day is the end of the hunting day, no matter what time it is. Forget the eye-opener, the flask "to keep you warm," or the pick-me-up with lunch, and don't tolerate drinking (or drugs) from anyone you hunt or shoot with. Alcohol and guns are a deadly combination. Before you have that beer with dinner at night, make sure all firearms are already unloaded, cleaned and cased.

In addition, if you are taking any prescription or over-the-counter medications that may affect your judgment, or make you drowsy, anxious or otherwise impaired, check with your doctor or pharmacist to see if there is an alternative.

- Safety does not end when you leave the woods.

Even if you are tired, cold and hungry when you get home, safety is still the first priority. Before anything else, store your firearms and ammunition in a safe place, separate from each other and out of the reach of children. Then call your friends to come see your deer, take a hot shower and get a decent meal. You've earned it.

Remember that hunting is a process, not a destination. No deer is worth risking your or someone else's life. There are friends, family and other people in the woods with you, and a successful hunt is not really measured in points and pounds, but in fellowship and appreciation of our natural world.

### Buck pole to be open on the 15th and 16th

► To participate, hunters must buy a \$2 Orange Coat Round Up button

Grayling's buck pole – now completely rebuilt after its collapse last year – will be open for the first two days of firearm deer hunting season (November 15 and 16), and prizes await hunters who participate in the annual competition.

The Orange Coat Round Up – a joint effort between Skip's Sport Shop and the Camp Grayling Conservation Club (CGCC) – gives hunters the opportunity to display their deer on the buck pole at Skip's and compete with other hunters for prizes in a variety of categories.

The event is sponsored by the CGCC and hosted by Skip's. People associated with both entities run the two-day competition. Proceeds benefit CGCC.

To participate, hunters must purchase an Orange Coat Round Up button. The buttons, which cost \$2, are available at Skip's.

*Prize categories and prizes include:*

- First buck each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

- Bucks 11 through full pole each day – \$10 cash;

- Youngest hunter each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

- Oldest hunter each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

- First woman hunter each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

- Heaviest buck each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

- Buck with largest rack each day – \$50 savings bond or \$25 cash;

The grand prize – a scoped rifle – will be awarded to the hunter whose deer has the largest rack overall of the two-day competition.

*A few general rules of the contest include:*

- Bucks must hang until 7 p.m. on November 15 and until 5 p.m. on November 16;

- Buck pole closes to any new bucks at 5 p.m. or when the pole is full;

- Bucks killed on November 15 may be hung on November 16, but they are not eligible for the "first buck" prize;

- Points one inch or larger will be scored;

- Bucks must be taken from Crawford County or adjacent counties.

### Local sportsman bags buck during youth hunt



Photo courtesy of Jim Hatfield  
Local hunter Travis Hatfield bags this buck during this year's youth hunt while hunting with his father Jim in Crawford County.

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Hardbodyz Sports Club, a local fitness facility, recently placed third overall in an international competition involving distance logged on rowing machines.

Team Hardbodyz, which consisted of 42 club members, finished the 30-day competition with 3.5 million meters. The winning team (Community Fitness Pointe of Munster, IN) had 5 million meters, and the second place team (Kinetic Fitness Studio of Denver, CO) finished with 3.8 million meters. Teams from as far away as Wokingham, England and Bangalore, India competed in the event.

The competition, sponsored by

Concept 2 Rowing - a rowing machine manufacturer, ran from September 15 to October 15. Team scores were generated by adding rowing machine distances of the individual club members during the contest period.

The Hardbodyz team was made up of people ranging from 16-years-old to 71-years-old.

Hardbodyz team captain Joe Greer II led the squad with 808,535 meters. Greer's total was the highest individual mark in the contest. Gary Hasson of Hardbodyz placed fourth overall with 666,666 meters.

Patricia Kennedy, 62, placed 18th overall and 5th in the women's division with 335,000 meters. "She showed that age is just a state of mind for staying in great shape," said Rich Ferrigan of Hardbodyz.

Hardbodyz Sports Club has only two rowing machines, while most fitness centers have 10-20, Ferrigan added.

**Concept 2 Rowing Competition  
Hardbodyz Team Results**

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|-------------------|---------|----------------------|--------|
| Joe Greer         | 808,535 | Larry VanBuskirk     | 20,045 |
| Gary Hasson       | 666,666 | Charles Hackney      | 19,979 |
| Patricia Kennedy  | 335,000 | R.J. Hannan          | 15,300 |
| Tina Bassett      | 269,000 | Shawn Schnoor        | 13,185 |
| Heidi Powers      | 210,045 | Mark Shunatona       | 12,000 |
| Ken Jackson       | 155,107 | Martha VanBuskirk    | 10,051 |
| Bea Patrick       | 108,668 | Bill Hamlin          | 9,694  |
| Samantha Millikin | 105,000 | Pete Ingvarsson      | 7,514  |
| Richard Ferrigan  | 103,465 | David Roberts        | 7,058  |
| Shawn Denton      | 100,175 | Barbara Hinderleider | 6,425  |
| Thomas Russell    | 88,514  | Angela Butler        | 6,013  |
| Vickie Hart       | 74,500  | Sue Somero           | 4,500  |
| Mike Powers       | 68,368  | Amber Gabriel        | 4,235  |
| Bill Bedford      | 66,400  | Nancy Lemmen         | 3,000  |
| Bob Butzin        | 40,662  | Carolyn Bohn         | 2,542  |
| Nathile Knepper   | 39,297  | Colleen Wyss         | 2,500  |
| Bob Bonkoski      | 37,017  | Shirley Schmoeck     | 2,422  |
| Mark Hanson       | 26,500  | Wassana Tomczak      | 2,009  |
| Scott Feldhauser  | 25,000  | Trace Lang           | 2,000  |
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## Hunters aren't concerned about wild game diseases

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"I don't think chronic wasting's going to be a really big issue around here for a while," Jack Millikin said.

Millikin, owner of Skip's Sports Shop in Grayling, said his customers are more concerned with bovine TB, which is in the area.

"A lot of hunters are having trouble adjusting to changes like baiting being prohibited," Millikin said. Contrary to hunters in Grayling, the Department of Natural Resources is more worried about CWD.

Although CWD has not been discovered in Michigan, it's seen as a greater problem than bovine TB, which is currently within Michigan, according to Dr. Steve Schmidt, the veterinarian in charge of the DNR wildlife diseases lab near Lansing. "CWD is so contagious that it could spread through herds much easier than bovine TB."

As for the West Nile virus, Dick Hansen of Manistee has not heard anything about wild birds in the Manistee area contracting the disease. "We haven't had any incidence of West Nile around here."

While the West Nile virus is commonly found in crows, it has also

been discovered in wild turkey, Canada geese, rough grouse, ring-neck pheasant and mallard, all birds that are hunted in Michigan, according to Tom Cooley, a biologist for the DNR.

After-house finches tested positive in late August, the DNR tested many other species and found West Nile virus in red tail hawks and grey horned owls, Cooley said.

West Nile virus can be found in horses, but hasn't yet been found in any wild game mammals like deer or elk. The DNR has no surveillance plan in place for mammals, but it does have one for birds and one for mosquitoes.

"We are not proposing a surveillance plan for mammals in Michigan," Cooley said.

Currently the only way for a human to contract West Nile virus is from the bite of an infected mosquito, but the DNR urges everyone to handle all dead birds with care, using a plastic bag or rubber medical gloves.

Hunters should also use an insect repellent that contains the active ingredient DEET on all exposed skin and clothing.

Area farmers are encouraged to use insect repellents on their horses and to drain standing water in troughs and buckets to curb the spread of the virus as well.

But West Nile virus isn't the only malady affecting game that's on the minds of hunters: CWD is just across the border in Wisconsin. Although that disease is not here yet, it may soon be within our borders, said Dr. Willie Reed, director of animal health and diagnostics at Michigan State University.

"CWD started in Colorado and has slowly been moving east across the country," Reed said. "It's likely that there may be some cases of CWD found in Michigan in the near future."

The disease attacks the central nervous system of white-tailed deer, mule deer and elk, resulting in poor body condition and behavioral abnormalities.

CWD is caused by mutated proteins, known as prions, which occur naturally in deer and elk. Prions also cause mad cow disease.

The reason CWD is so hard to detect is that there is no test for live animals.

"Because no antibodies are produced, it's impossible to detect in a living deer," Schmidt said.

The only current method for identifying a deer with CWD is a process called immuno-histo staining. Scientists stain the brain tissue of a dead animal to determine if the animal was infected, according to Schmidt.

"We're hoping to develop a new method soon," Schmidt said.

Current research shows the disease can be transmitted only from animal to animal, leaving humans immune. "But that's not to say further research might show that CWD is contagious to humans," Schmidt said.

The DNR has also established an artificial border for infected deer, according to Anne Wilson, the DNR communications representative in the Upper Peninsula. She said if Wisconsin finds an infected deer within 50 miles of Michigan, baiting regulations for the deer would be revised.

If an infected deer is found within the 50-mile buffer zone of either peninsula, baiting will be outlawed in that peninsula, said DNR press secretary Brad Wurfel.

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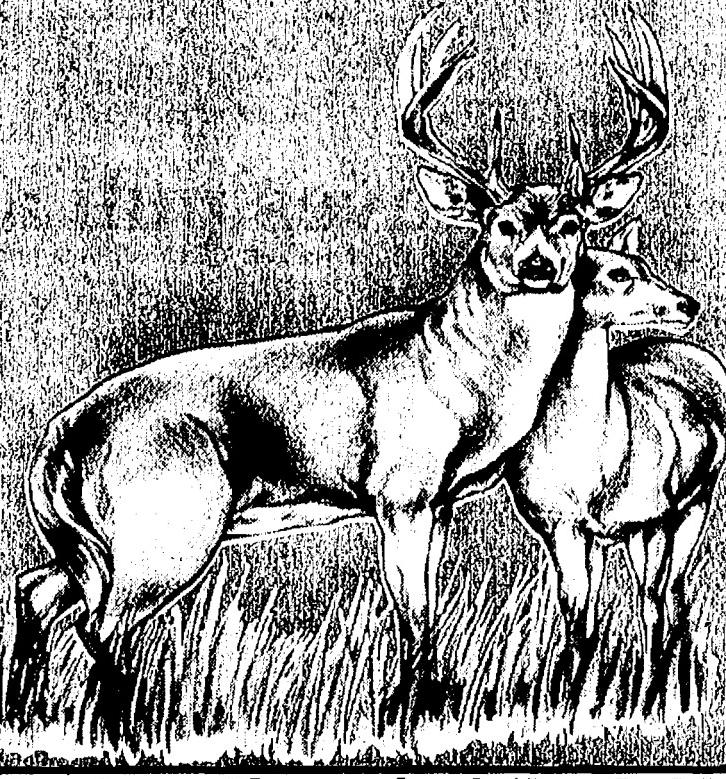
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## Play-offs to start next week

► Grayling High School to host District tournament basketball games

Play-offs for varsity girls basketball teams start next week with District tournaments. The Vikings of Grayling High School will open their post-season schedule with a first-round District match-up against Kalkaska on Monday.

Grayling's District also includes Cheboygan, Sault Ste. Marie, Houghton Lake, and Roscommon. Tournament games for this District will be held at Grayling High School.

The tourney will open with a game featuring Cheboygan and Sault Ste. Marie at 6 p.m. on Monday, November 18. (Doors open at 5 p.m.)

Grayling will then face off against the Blazers of Kalkaska at 8 p.m. on Monday night.

Houghton Lake and Roscommon both drew first round byes.

The semi-final games will be held on Wednesday. At 6 p.m., Roscommon will play the winner of Cheboygan/Sault Ste. Marie. At 8 p.m., the winner of Grayling vs.

Kalkaska will face Houghton Lake. The District final game will be played at Grayling High School on Friday, November 22 at 7 p.m. (Doors open at 6 p.m.)

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## Braves pull away after one quarter

► GHS varsity girls basketball team falls to Tawas 72-40 in Grayling

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

After one closely contested quarter, the Tawas Braves pulled away from Grayling to win last Tuesday's varsity girls basketball match-up at GHS 72-40.

The score was tied 13-13 at the end of the first period. Grayling scored its 13 points with jump shots by Jessica Green, Kim Mitchell, and Ashley Hawley, shots inside by Mitchell and Mandy Czapek, and a three-point basket by Mitchell.

Tawas picked up its pace and Grayling started to struggle. The Braves capitalized on Grayling turnovers while the Vikings couldn't get a shot to fall. Tawas scored 10 unanswered points in the first six minutes of the second quarter.

The Vikings scored six points in the period on two baskets by Tracy

Parkinson and a jump shot by Briea Friesbie.

Tawas led 30-19 at halftime.

The Braves opened the second half with another big run. Tawas scored 16 unanswered points in under six minutes to take a 46-39 lead.

The Vikings scored eight points in the last 2:45 of the quarter on free throws by Czapek and Friesbie, a shot inside by Czapek, and a jumper by Parkinson.

Tawas had a 50-27 advantage going into the fourth quarter.

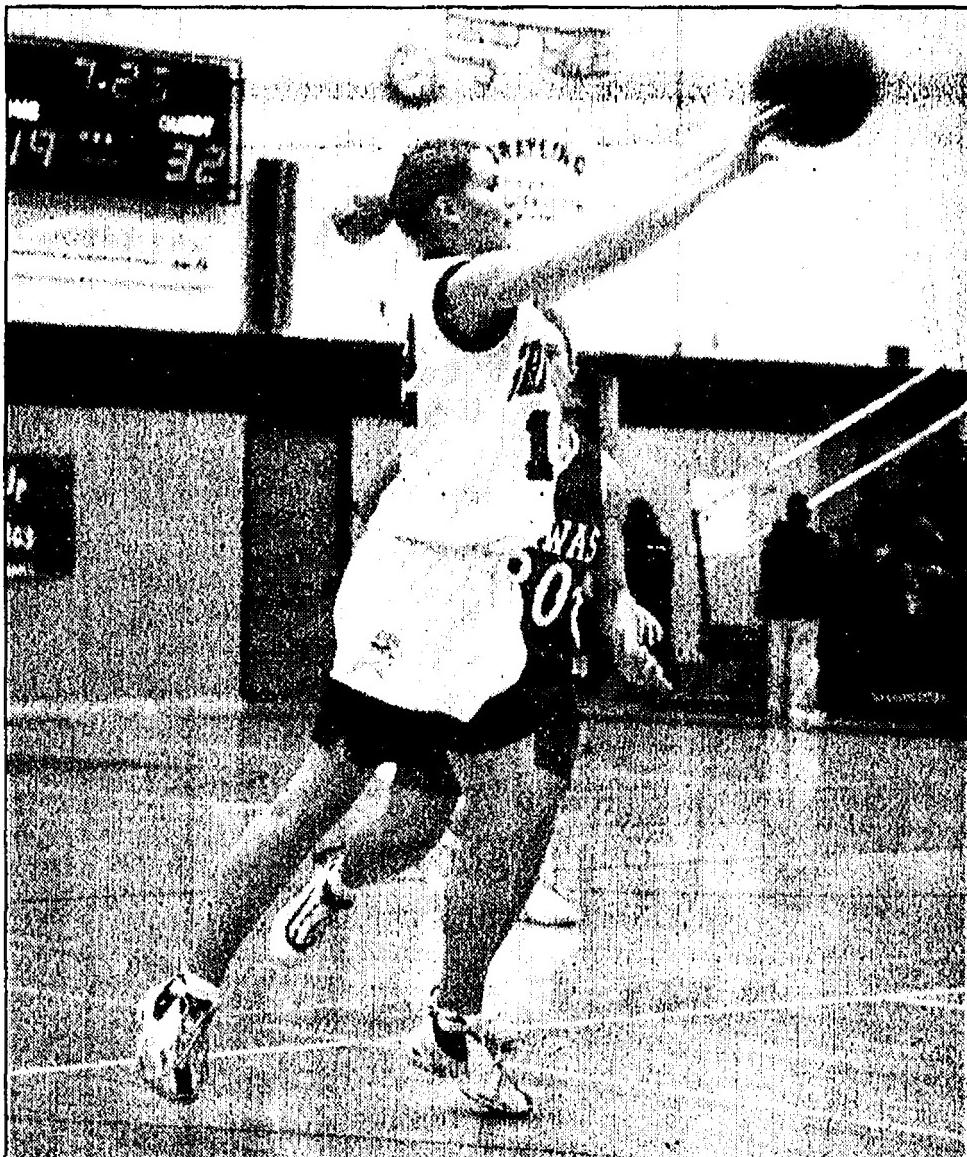
The Braves extended their lead to

32 with a 9-0 run to open the fourth period. Tawas scored 22 points in the quarter to Grayling's 13 to win 72-40.

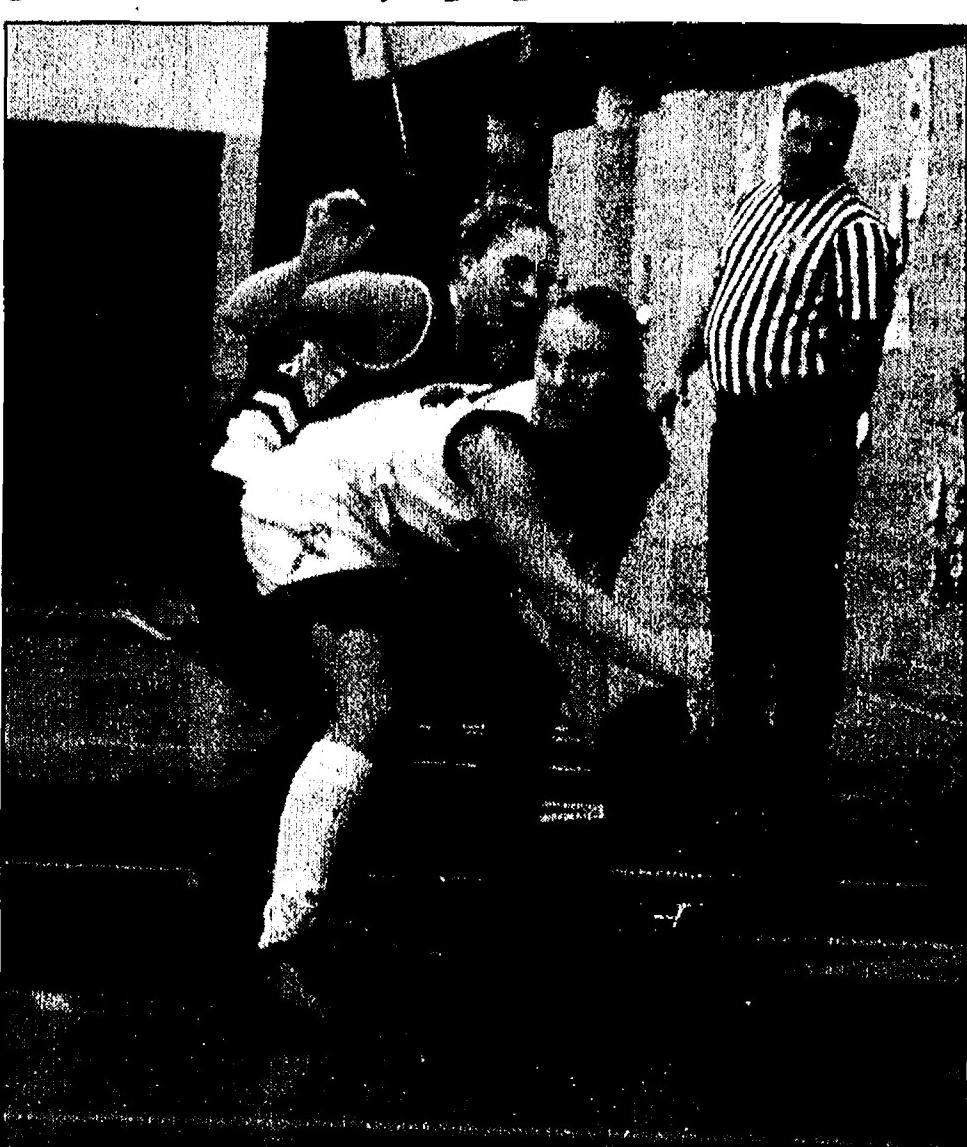
The Vikings scored their 13 points in the fourth with free throws by Skylynn Palmer, Jessica Stewart, and Green, jump shots by Friesbie and Green, and two baskets by Parkinson.

Parkinson was the leading scorer for Grayling with 10 points.

The Vikings will finish the regular season on Thursday, November 14 with a home game vs. Gladwin. Play-offs start next week.



Photos by Caleb Casey  
Jessica Green passes off to a teammate in last Tuesday's game vs. Tawas at Grayling High School.



Ashley Hawley looks to pass after grabbing a rebound under the basket.

# JV team pulls ahead, stays ahead

► Vikings build a lead early vs. Tawas and maintain it to win by 17, 45-28

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

The GHS junior varsity girls basketball team built a lead early and kept it against Tawas last week at Grayling, winning the match by a final score of 45-28.

The Vikings outscored the Braves 10-4 in the first eight minutes of play. Grayling scored its 10 on a jump shot by Jenny VanNuck, two free throws by Michelle McGuire, two baskets by Trisha Kinsey, and a shot inside by Katie Baynham on an in-bounds pass from Kinsey.

The Vikings added to their lead with an 11-7 second quarter. McGuire led off with a triple. A 6-0 run – including baskets by Kelly Dunckley, Baynham, and McGuire – put Grayling up by 13. A lay-up by Baynham was Grayling's last bucket of the first half.

GHS took a 21-11 advantage into the second half.

Tawas started to cut into Grayling's lead until late in the third period. After Baynham hit a pair of free throws for GHS, Tawas scored four points on two free throws and a jump shot. A drive by McGuire put Grayling back up by 10.

Tawas scored the next six points to shrink Grayling's lead down to four, 25-21. A jumper by VanNuck put GHS back up by six. Tawas pulled within four with a shot inside.

The Vikings rallied for a 7-0 run in the last minute of the period. The run included a three-pointer by Kinsey, a lay-up by McGuire on a long pass from Kinsey, and another



Jenny VanNuck keeps the ball away from a Tawas defender in last week's game against the Braves.



Photos by Caleb Casey

Michelle McGuire drives to the basket in last Tuesday's junior varsity girls basketball game vs. Tawas in Grayling. McGuire was the leading scorer for GHS in the match with 21 points.

## Golf team announces awards at banquet

The Grayling High School boys golf team announced its team awards for the 2002 season at the squad's annual awards banquet on Tuesday, November 5.

Most Valuable Player went to Josh Hinkle. Hinkle had the most team wins this year with 12 and led the squad in every category of MVP consideration. He was a medalist four times this year.

Hinkle and Ryan Davis were co-winners of the 100% Award. Davis had four team wins this year and two medals.

Hinkle also won the Most Consistent Award for having a 5-

stroke spread for nine holes.

Jack Hagerman received the Most Improved Award. He knocked 6.3 strokes off his average from last year.

James Walker, a freshman, took Rookie of the Year honors. Walker posted the third best freshman average in the team's history.

Three team members were recognized for receiving all-conference honors: Hinkle, Davis, and Walker. Hinkle was named to the "1st team," Davis made the "2nd team," and Walker received an "honorable mention."



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Trisha Kinsey handles the ball for the GHS JV team.

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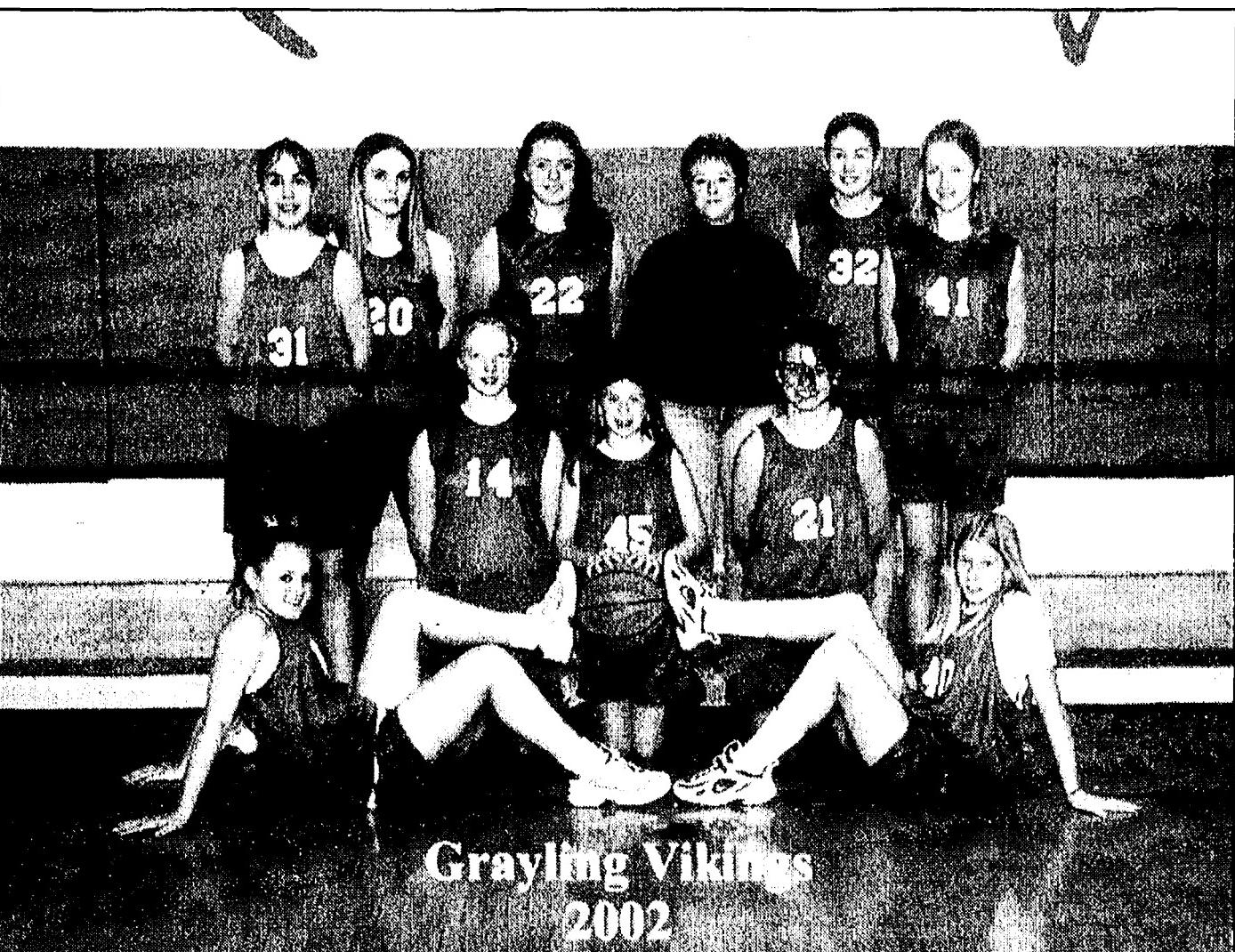
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## 8th graders finish 2002 season



Grayling Middle School's 8th grade girls basketball teams recently finished their 2002 seasons. Coach Samara Sabin's team finished at 6-4, and Coach Jenny Swander's squad ended with a 4-6 record. "Most other schools that we play split their teams by ability. This year, we split our teams evenly with regard to ability," Coach Sabin said. "Considering this fact, I believe that our records were pretty good. We played some tough teams and we always did something well. The games we lost were often close. The girls improved immensely this year, especially since we only had four practices before our first game. The players came together as a team on the court and as friends off the court. We're proud of them. We expect good things from them in the years to come." Members of the 8th grade teams are: Coach Samara Sabin, Abby Wheeler, Amber Palmer, Ashley Bindschatel, Rachel Potter, Sakeena Bartkowski, Rayleigh Galvani, Adrianna Voelker, Angie Martella, Whitney Keir; Coach Jenny Swander, Danielle Williams, Danielle Lighthall, Ali Ferrigan, Katie Murray, Erica Mogg, Trish Thompson, Jessica Bobenmoyer, Monica Leslie, Krystal Babbitt.



## KIRTLAND BASKETBALL

### Womens Team

MIO — Jenny Sevrey had 25 points and Rachel Soule had 21 to

lead Muskegon to a 70-60 victory Saturday over Kirtland in the season opener for both teams.

The game was played at Mio AuSable High School. Kirtland guard Becca Miller returned to her alma mater to score a career-high 37 points for the Lady Firebirds. She hit seven three-point baskets and made all 10 of her free throws.

Kirtland's season continues Thursday with the Big Eight Classic tournament in Oshawa, Ontario.

### Mens Team

ALPENA — Freshman Jeremy Rau scored 18 points and grabbed 10 rebounds and classmate Eugene Phillips also netted 18 to lead Kirtland Community College to a 97-63 victory Friday night over Sault College in the first round of the Can-Am Classic.

It was the season opener for both teams.

Sophomore Reuben Edwards had 14 points and freshman Terrance Coker had 10 for the Firebirds.

ALPENA — Sophomore forward Rubens Martinelli had 10 points and 10 rebounds, and classmate Andy Topie had 15 points to power Kirtland to a 97-51 victory Saturday over Algoma University College in the Can-Am Classic.

The Firebirds, 0-2, raced to a 51-15 halftime lead and were never threatened in their second straight rout of a Canadian opponent.

Algoma, 0-2, didn't have a player in double figures.

Kirtland's schedule continues this weekend with a tournament at Macomb County Community College.

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# Weak second half results in loss

► Tawas outscored Grayling 9th graders 24-5 in 2nd half to win 41-23 at GHS

by Caleb Casey  
Staff Writer

With a strong fourth quarter performance, the Tawas Braves defeated Grayling High School's freshman girls basketball team 41-23 last Tuesday in Grayling.

The Braves edged Grayling 9-6 in the first quarter. The Vikings scored their six with jump shots by Samantha Wakeley, Andrea Southard, and Tequila Reynolds.

The Vikings got out in front with an 8-0 run in the first five minutes of the second quarter. The run included two baskets by Wakeley, a drive by Amanda Lutz, and a jumper by Reynolds.

Two baskets by Tawas cut

Grayling's lead to one, 14-13. A shot inside by Stacie Dent put GHS up by three. A drive by Tawas cut it back to one. A jump shot by Wakeley and a lay-up by Tawas left Grayling's lead at one at halftime, 18-17.

The Vikings did not score any points in the third quarter. Tawas scored three - all in the last 2:00 of the period.

The Braves led 20-18 going into the fourth quarter.

Tawas scored the first six points of the fourth period.

A three-pointer by Jenna Frankowski pulled Grayling within five, 26-21. Tawas outscored the Vikings 13-2 from there to win the game by 18, 41-23.

Wakeley was the leading scorer for Grayling with eight points.

The match was Grayling's last home game of the 2002 season. The team finishes its season with a game at Gaylord this week.



Amanda Lutz moves the ball down the court for the Vikings on Tuesday.



Tequila Reynolds drives toward the basket against Tawas on Tuesday.

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\$10.00 a Dinner Includes Admission • \$5.00 Admission Only

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1st Prize: Remington 30-06 with Scope

2nd Prize: \$400.00

3rd Prize: Remington 12 Gauge Shotgun

4th Prize: \$200.00

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At 10:00 PM

Grayling Eagles • 602 Huron (M-72 East)

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**The Grayling Nursing Centre**

invites you to attend our monthly  
**Community Connection**  
**Everyone is welcome!**

**December's Topic**

**Wills, Guardianships, Power of Attorney Information**

By: Christine Brzezinski, P.L.C., Attorney at Law

Wednesday, December 4th from 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

at The Grayling Nursing Centre  
331 Meadows Drive, Grayling, MI 49738

\* A question and answer session will follow the speaker.  
Blood pressure and weight taken FREE for all who attend.

\* Refreshments will be served.

Please call Christy with any questions at (989) 347-2201.

## Week #10 Winning Games

1. Green Bay (54)
2. Baltimore
3. New Orleans
4. NY Giants
5. Indianapolis
6. Tie (Free)
7. St. Louis
8. Tennessee
9. Seattle (33)
10. Jacksonville
11. New England
12. San Francisco
13. NY Jets
14. Ohio St.
15. Michigan St.
16. U of M (65)

### Weekly Prizes

- Sports Cap -- Scheer Motors
- Free 20 lb. Propane Cylinder Fill Up -- Fick & Son
- One Free Lunch an \$8.95 Value -- Grayling Holiday Inn
- \$50 -- Grayling Avalanche
- \$10 Gift Certificate -- Riverland Gear
- \$25 Gift Certificate -- Comfort Center
- One Free Extreme Mug -- 7-Eleven
- \$10 Gift Certificate -- Abel Auto
- One House Speciality Burrito a \$6.95 Value -- Gray Rock Cafe

1. NY Jets vs. Detroit



U.S. 27 North, Grayling  
989-348-5451

2. New Orleans vs. Atlanta

- Silk Screening • Glass Etching
- Engraving • Trophies
- Vinyl Letters
- Embroidery • Banners
- Awards • Flags
- Larry Raymond



5610 M-72 W., Grayling  
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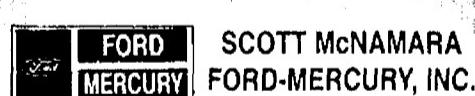
3. Cleveland vs. Cincinnati



1-800-341-HART

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4. Dallas vs. Indianapolis



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5. Buffalo vs. Kansas City

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6. Baltimore vs. Miami

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7. Green Bay vs. Minnesota

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8. Washington vs. NY Giants

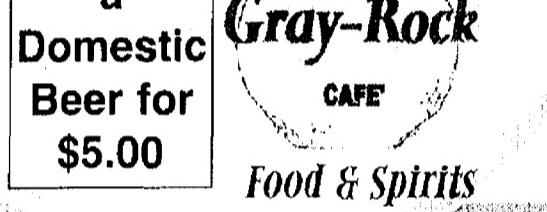


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9. Arizona vs. Philadelphia

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10. Pittsburgh vs. Tennessee

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11. San Francisco vs. San Diego

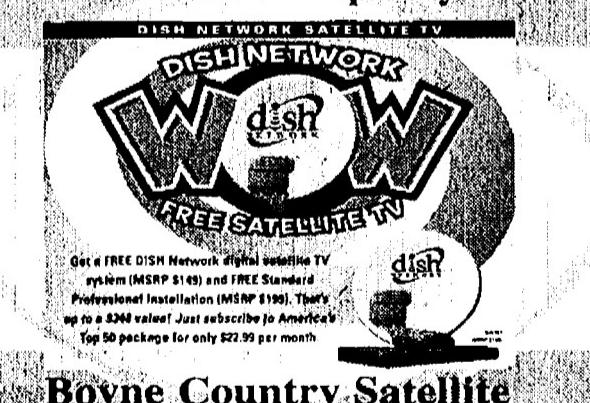


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12. Carolina vs. Tampa Bay



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13. Jacksonville vs. Houston



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14. Denver vs. Seattle

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15. Wisconsin vs. U of M



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16. Purdue vs. Michigan St.

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WEEK

#11

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE NOTE: Advertiser MUST be written in next to team or slip will be VOID!!**

|        |            |
|--------|------------|
| Winner | Advertiser |
| Game 1 |            |
| Game 2 |            |
| Game 3 |            |
| Game 4 |            |
| Game 5 |            |
| Game 6 |            |
| Game 7 |            |

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|---------|------------|
| Winner  | Advertiser |
| Game 8  |            |
| Game 9  |            |
| Game 10 |            |
| Game 11 |            |
| Game 12 |            |
| Game 13 |            |
| Game 14 |            |

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|-----------------------|------------|
| Winner                | Advertiser |
| Game 15               |            |
| Game 16               |            |
| Tiebreaker 1 Game #1  |            |
| Tiebreaker 2 game #9  |            |
| Tiebreaker 3 game #16 |            |

### Avalanche Football Contest Official Rules

(1) Contestants must list the advertiser in which each game is found. Write your prediction for the games played, advertisers, and tiebreakers (total points scored by both teams) on entry form. Entry form without advertisers listed will be invalid. The person with the most correct picks wins all the weekly prizes listed. If the tiebreaker can not determine a winner, a drawing will be held to select a single winner. (2) One entry per person a week will be accepted. Crawford County Avalanche employees are not eligible. (3) Completed entry forms must be returned to the Avalanche office no later than 5 pm Friday before each week's games. Mail slot in our door may be used Wednesday or Thursday night after 5 pm and before 9 am. Mailed entries must be postmarked no later than 5 pm Friday. Mail to Crawford County Avalanche, P.O. Box 490, Grayling, MI 49738. (4) Entries must be on an official entry form as printed in the Avalanche. No purchase necessary to enter. Entry forms are available at the Avalanche office between 9 am and 5 pm weekdays. Identification and a social security number must be presented when claiming prizes.

## LEGAL ACTION

### LEGAL NOTICE

**TAKE NOTICE:** James Gore and Phyllis Gore, that pursuant to an Order of the 83rd District Court for the County of Crawford entered on October 10, 2002 by the Honorable John G. Hunter, you are hereby given notice of the following:

1. A civil action has been filed against you in the 83rd District Court for the County of Crawford, Case No. 02-1306-SP-1, Deborah Bonar, Plaintiff vs James Gore and Phyllis Gore, Defendants;

2. The nature of the action is a Complaint for the forfeiture of a land contract executed by you on June 9, 1999 for property commonly known as 5696 Fum Trail, Grayling, Michigan and legally described as set forth in land contract as recorded Liber 486, page 270, Crawford County Records with a total value due of \$19,172.90 to include principal, interest, taxes and insurance.

3. You must answer the Complaint or take other action as permitted by law within 28 days of the last publication date of this notice with the Clerk of the 83rd District Court, 200

W. Michigan Avenue, Grayling, Michigan 49738 or the attorney for Plaintiff, Bloomquist & Associates, Todd Nye, P.O. Box 708, Grayling, Michigan 49738;

4. Failure to answer or otherwise respond to this notice within the time provided may result in a judgement by default against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint.

Terrence H. Bloomquist & Associates  
Todd H. Nye, Attorney  
306 State Street  
P.O. Box 708  
Grayling, MI 49738

-31-7-14

### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

MORTGAGE SALE Default having been made in the terms and conditions of a certain mortgage made by Dennis M. Bausman and Vicki L. Bausman, husband and wife, Mortgagors, to Commonpoint Mortgage, Mortgagor, dated the 16th day of September,

1997 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds, for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 26th day of September, 1997 in Liber 438 of Crawford County Records, page 553, said Mortgage having been assigned to The Bank of New York, as trustee under the pooling and servicing agreement dated as of November 30, 1997, Series 1997-D on which mortgage there is claimed to be due, at the date of this notice, the sum of Eighty Three Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Eight & 30/100 (\$83,388.30), and no suit or proceeding at law or in equity having been instituted to recover the debt secured by said mortgage or any part thereof. Now, therefore, by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, and pursuant to statute of the State of Michigan in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that on the 4th day of December, 2002 at 10 o'clock a.m. Local Time, said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the County Bldg. in Grayling, Michigan (that being the building where the Circuit Court for the County of Crawford is held), of the premises described in said mortgage, or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the amount due, as aforesaid, on said mortgage, with interest thereon at 11.2500% per annum and all legal costs, charges and expenses, including the attorney fees allowed by law, and also any sum or sums which may be paid by the undersigned, necessary to protect its interest in the premises. Which said premises are described as follows: All that certain piece of parcel of land situated in the Township of South Branch, County of Crawford, State of Michigan, and described as follows, to wit:

Being Lot 69, and part of Lots 60, 61 and 62 of the recorded plat of River Forest, being part of the Southwest 1/4 of the Southwest 1/4, of Section 21, part of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 28, and part of the North 1/2 of section 29, all in T25N, R2W, South Branch Township, Crawford County, Michigan, described as commencing at the Southwest corner of lot 69 for a point of beginning; Thence North 33 degrees 46' West 167.00 feet; Thence North 24, degrees 09' West 82.2 feet; Thence North 50 degrees 18' East 200.00 feet; Thence North 60 degrees 11' East 100.00 feet; Thence South 17 degrees 15' East 37.6 feet; Thence South 32 degrees 40' East 204.74 feet; Thence South 43 degrees 28' West 60.2 feet; Thence 190.5 feet along the Arc of a 9 degree 28' 30" curve to the right, the long chord of which bears South 52 degrees 29' 30" West 189.71 feet; Thence South 61 degrees 31' West 50.0 feet to the point of beginning. During the six (6) months immediately following the sale, the property may be redeemed, except that in the event that the property is determined to be abandoned pursuant to MCLA 600.3241a, the property may be redeemed during 30 days immediately following the sale.

Dated: October 31, 2002  
The Bank of New York, Mortgagee  
Fabrizio & Brook, P.C.

Jonathan L. Engman (P56364)  
Attorney for The Bank of New York  
888 W. Big Beaver, Suite 1470  
Troy, MI 48084  
(248) 362-2600

-31-7-14-21-28

### Notice of Mortgage Foreclosure Sale

Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C. is a debt collector and we are attempting to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.

MORTGAGE SALE Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Oliver Hilliker and Jody L. Hilliker to the Cit Group/Consumer Finance Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 1, 2000, and recorded on November 20, 2000, in Liber 523, on page 093 Crawford County Records, Michigan, and assigned by said mortgagee to Allegro Credit Company, now known as National City Home Loan Services, Inc., by an assignment dated January 29, 2001, and recorded on April 3, 2002, in Liber 575, on page 543 Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of thirty four thousand three hundred twenty two and 52/100 Dollars (\$34,322.55), including interest at 13.450% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of County Building, Grayling, MI at 10:00 a.m. on December 11, 2002.

Said premises are situated in City of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan and are described as:

Lot 11 Block 4 O.M. Barnes Addition to the Village (now City) of Grayling Crawford County Michigan according to the Plat thereof recorded in Liber 01 of Plats Page 05 Crawford County Records.

The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

A parcel of land in the Northwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 29, Town 25 North, Range 3 West described as: Commencing at a point which is 230 feet South and 103.6 feet East of the Northwest corner of said Section 29, thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes East 187 feet thence South 9 degrees 14 minutes East 209.9 feet, thence South 66 degrees 14 minutes East 240.4 feet thence North 89 degrees 46 minutes East 326.7 feet, thence South 48 degrees West 217.3 feet; thence South 89 degrees 46 minutes West 651.6 feet to the Easterly boundary of the right of way of M-76 and M-18, thence Northwesterly along said Easterly boundary line of said right of way 530 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 7, 2002  
Attorney for: Assignee of Mortgagee  
Robert A. Tremain & Associates, P.C.  
401 South Old Woodward Avenue  
Suite 300

Birmingham, MI 48009-6616

For information please call:  
(248) 540-7701  
Manufacturers & Traders  
Trust Company  
One M & T Plaza  
New York, 14203-2399

Trustee for Securitization Series 1996-4  
Agreement Dated: December 12, 1996  
Assignee of Mortgagee

-07-14-21-28

### MORTGAGE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Frances Riemke, a single woman and Timothy A. Freese, a single man, as joint tenants (original mortgagors) to J. Virgil, Inc., DBA Lending Factory, Mortgage Banker, Mortgagee, dated November 3, 2000, and recorded on December 4, 2000 in Liber 524 on page 107 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, and was assigned by said mortgagee to the EquiCredit Corporation of America, Assignee by an assignment dated November 7, 2000, which was recorded on October 9, 2001, in Liber 555 on page 399, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Forty-Four Thousand One Hundred Thirty-One and 19/100 dollars (\$44,131.19), including interest at 13.770% per annum.

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public vendue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on November 27, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Commencing 305.6 feet West of the East 1/8 Post of the North 1/8 Line of the Northwest 1/4 of the Northeast 1/4 Section 13, Town 26 North, Range 4 West, Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan; thence Northwesterly along the Centerline of Old M-93, 143 feet to the Point of Beginning; thence Northwesterly 404.3 feet; thence Easterly 76.54 feet; thence Southerly 351.0 feet of the Centerline of Old M-93; thence Southwesterly along the Centerline to the Point of Beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: October 17, 2002  
For information, please call:  
Wolves 248-593-1312  
Trott & Trott, P.C.

Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File #200211703  
Wolves

-17-24-31-7-14

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Attorneys and Counselors

30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200

Bingham Farms, MI 48025

File #200211703

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### ATTENTION PROPERTY OWNERS

If you have unpaid 2000 and/or 1998 taxes, the STATE OF MICHIGAN will be publishing in the Crawford County Avalanche legal descriptions and NAMES OF ALL INTERESTED PARTIES on December 23, 2002, December 30, 2002 and January 6, 2003.

To avoid publication, 2000 and/or 1998 taxes must be paid in full by Monday, December 2, 2002. PAYMENTS MADE AFTER DECEMBER 2, 2002 WILL NOT PREVENT PUBLICATION. ALSO, A \$50.00 PUBLICATION FEE WILL BE ADDED TO ANY PAYMENT RECEIVED AFTER DECEMBER 2, 2002.

Payments will be accepted by CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK, OR MONEY ORDER ONLY.

### NO PERSONAL CHECKS OR CREDIT CARDS!!

NOTE NEW OFFICE HOURS:  
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989-344-3231 Dan Weaver  
EMAIL: jwakeley@crawfordco.org  
dweaver@crawfordco.org

Joseph V. Wakeley  
Crawford County Treasurer

### NOTICE TO ALL DOG, CAT AND FERRET OWNERS

2003 Crawford County Animal Licenses are now available.

The fees are \$12.00 for male and female animals, \$6.00 for spayed or neutered animals.</p

## LEGAL ACTION

### STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT COUNTY OF CRAWFORD NOTICE TO CREDITORS

#### Decedent's Estate

File No. 02-6532-DE  
Estate of Agnes Malinowski, Date of birth: 09/19/18

#### NOTICE TO CREDITORS:

The decedent, Agnes Malinowski, who lived at 10435 Old Trail Road, Grayling, Michigan died September 9, 2002.

Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Sharon S. L. Klinger, named personal representative or proposed personal representative, or to both the probate court at 200 W. Michigan Ave. Grayling, MI 49738 and the named/proposed personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice.

Date: November 4, 2002

Sharon S. Klinger  
10435 Old Trail Road  
Grayling, MI 49738

collect a debt. Any information we obtain will be used for that purpose. Please contact our office at the number below if you are in active military duty.

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by Denise Marie Elekonich a married woman and Jerry L. Elekonich her husband (original mortgagors) to Citizens Bank, Mortgagee, dated May 21, 1999, and recorded on June 17, 1999 in Liber 484 on Page 168 in Crawford County Records, Michigan and was assigned by said mortgagor to the Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., as assignee by an assignment dated May 21, 1999, which was recorded on September 15, 1999, in Liber 490 on Page 532 Crawford County Records, and re-recorded on October 26, 1999, in Liber 494 on Page 03, Crawford County Records, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy-One Thousand Five Hundred Forty-Two and 30/100 dollars (\$71,542.30), including interest at 7.250% per annum.**

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot No. 7, Shangri-LA Subdivision, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, according to the plat thereof as recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Pages 3 and 4, Crawford County Records.

### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE FORECLOSURE SALE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting commencing at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, December 5, 2002, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, PO Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for the following item:

#### FOR TWO (2) TANDEM AXLE TRUCKS 64,000# GVWR

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "Tandem Axle Truck Bid". The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, to withhold any and all trade-in options of the Road Commission, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners  
Thomas Perry, Chairman  
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman  
Ken Riehle, Commissioner

### NOTICE OF ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District

To all residents of the Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District, notice is hereby given that on the day of January 29, 2003, between the hours of 12:00 noon and 7:00 p.m., at 606 Lake Street, in the village of Roscommon an annual meeting and director's election will be held. On the 13th day of December 2002, being forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the annual meeting, absentee ballots are available for voting in this election at the Conservation District Office located in the CRAF Center, during the regular business hours of the Conservation District which are between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Notice is also hereby given to all residents who are desiring to run for Conservation District Director in this election; petitions signed by at least five (5) residents of the Conservation District must be filed at the Conservation District Office before close of business on November 29, 2002, being sixty (60) days prior to the annual meeting.

Residents are individuals of legal age who can demonstrate residency in the Conservation District via one (1) piece of identification.

Glenn Schicker  
Secretary of the Board of Directors  
Crawford-Roscommon Conservation District

### TO: PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET

#### RE: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, November 21, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case #Z226-02 Requesting a 43' variance from the 200' set back to build a 24' x 24' detached garage.  
Petitioner: Larry Stafford  
4327 Robin Wood  
Royal Oak, MI 48073

The above case refers to the following described property:

Property Code: 064-400-000-209-00  
Property Address: 11083 Tanglewood Dr.  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
Property Desc: LOT 209, INDIAN GLENS OF THE AUSABLE,  
UNIT #3  
Zoning District: RD-R

All documents are available for review at, and comments should be sent to:

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department  
200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building  
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s) from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 14, 2002  
For Information, Please Call  
Mustangs 248-593-1306  
Trott & Trott, P.C.  
Attorneys and Counselors  
30400 Telegraph Road, Suite 200  
Bingham Farms, MI 48025  
File # 200230845  
Mustangs

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recorded in Liber 2 of Plats, Page 16, Crawford County Records. The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with 1948CL 600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of such sale.

Dated: November 8, 2002  
Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A.  
as trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust 2001-BC4  
Assignee of Mortgage  
Attorneys: Potestivo & Associates, P.C.  
36150 Dequindre Rd. Ste 620  
Sterling Heights, MI 48310  
(586) 795-4400 Ext 110  
Our File No: 02-10310

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### FORECLOSURE NOTICE

This firm is a debt collector attempting to collect a debt. Any information obtained will be used for this purpose.

**MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a certain mortgage made by: Kimberly Bofysil, and Dennis Ray Bofysil, husband and wife to Stone Castle Home Loans, a California Corporation, Mortgagee, dated August 31, 2000 and recorded September 18, 2000 in Liber 517, Page 519, Crawford County Records, Michigan. Said mortgage was assigned thru mesne assignments to: Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A., as trustee for Amortizing Residential Collateral Trust 2001-BC4 assignment dated November 27, 2000, and recorded June 5, 2002 in Liber 584, Page 47, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Seventy One Thousand Five Hundred Eighty Five and 96/100 (\$71,585.96), including interest at 12.25% per annum.**

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Township of Grayling, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Lot 54, Manistee River Woods, Township of Frederic, Crawford County, Michigan, as

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**MORTGAGE SALE - Default has been made in the conditions of a mortgage made by John B. Mehal, Jr. and Denise G. Mehal a/k/a D.J. Mehal, Husband and wife (original mortgagors) to ABN AMRO Mortgage Group, Inc., Mortgagee, dated November 2, 2001, and recorded on November 13, 2001 in Liber 0559 on Page 388 in Crawford County Records, Michigan, on which mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date hereof the sum of Eighty Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine and 61/100 dollars (\$80,389.61), including interest at 6.500% per annum.**

Under the power of sale contained in said mortgage and the statute in such case made and provided, notice is hereby given that said mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at public venue, at the front door of the County Building in Grayling, Michigan at 10:00 a.m. on December 18, 2002.

Said premises are situated in Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, and are described as:

Parcel f; a parcel of land located in the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of

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### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Grayling Housing Commission will be holding a public hearing on its Agency Plan. The Annual Plan is a compilation of the Housing Commissioner's functional policies. The Five-year Plan is a guide for Housing Commission activities in the future.

As these plans are constructed, the Housing Commission must allow public review of these policies and allow for comment. Therefore, as of November 1, the Agency Plan and its constituent plans will be available for public review at the Housing Commission's office, located at 308 Lawndale Drive. At the regularly scheduled meeting, on December 10th, at 6:30 p.m. public hearings will be held in order to receive any public comments on the plans.

### NOTICE TO BIDDERS

The Crawford County Road Commission will receive sealed bids until 10:00 a.m. (for a bid opening during the regular meeting commencing at 10:00 a.m.) on Thursday, December 5, 2002, at their Grayling office located at 500 Huron Street, PO Box 648, Grayling, MI 49738-0648, for the following item:

#### FOR ONE SINGLE AXLE TRUCKS 35,000# GVWR

Specifications may be obtained by contacting the Crawford County Road Commission at the above address.

Submit bids in a sealed envelope that is clearly marked with the words: "Single Axle Truck Bid". The Crawford County Road Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive irregularities in the bid, to waive details in the specifications, to withhold any and all trade-in options of the Road Commission, and to accept the bid deemed to be in the best interest of Crawford County.

Board of Crawford County Road Commissioners  
Thomas Perry, Chairman  
John Hartman, Vice-Chairman  
Ken Riehle, Commissioner

### TO: PROPERTY OWNERS WITHIN 300 FEET

#### RE: NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

A Public Hearing of the Crawford County Zoning Board of Appeals will be held on Thursday, November 21, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. in the Circuit Courtroom of the County Building.

The purpose of the Public Hearing is to hear comments on:

Case #Z227-02 Requesting a 6' variance, 20' to 14' to build a 12' lean-to onto house/garage.  
Petitioner: Jennifer Nagy  
11328 Steckert Bridge Road  
Roscommon, MI 48653

The above case refers to the following described property:

Property Code: 20-062-032-007-070-01  
Property Address: 11328 Steckert Bridge Road  
Roscommon, MI 48653  
Property Desc: PART OF SW/4 OF NW/4  
Zoning District: LD-R

All documents are available for review at, and comments should be sent to:

Crawford County Building & Zoning Department  
200 W. Michigan Ave. - Annex Building  
Grayling, MI 49738

Joseph Duran - Director

Section 29, Town 26 North, Range 2 West, Grayling Township, Crawford County, Michigan, being further described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said section 28, thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes 33 seconds West along the West Section line 980.26 feet for a point of beginning, thence continuing North 00 degrees 05 minutes, 33 seconds West 325.26 feet to a 1/2 inch times 18 inches Bar and cap #30083; thence South 89 degrees 53 minutes 45 seconds East along the North 1/8 line 321.27 feet; thence South 00 degrees 05 minutes 46 seconds East, 325.17 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds West, 321.29 feet to the point of beginning. Together with and subject to a road and utility easement described as follows: Commencing at the West 1/4 corner of said section 29, Town 26 North, Range 2 West; thence North 00 degrees 05 minutes; 33 seconds West along the West Section line 956.26 feet for a point of beginning; thence continuing North 00 degrees 05 minutes 33 seconds West, 66.00 feet; thence South 89 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds East 655.81 feet thence along the arc of a non-tangent curve to the right, said curve having a radius of 100.00 feet; are length of 561.60 feet, central angle of 321 degrees 46 minutes 25 seconds, a chord bearing of South 00 degrees 05 minutes 15 seconds West, and a chord length of 66.00 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 45 seconds, West, 655.60 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 6 month(s)

Parcel A: Part of the N 1/2 of the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of section 28, T26N, R2W, described as commencing at the SW corner of said section 28, thence NO degrees 06'E along the West section line 1661.69 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing NO degrees 06'E 114 feet; thence S 89 degrees 20'15"E 1318.93 feet to the West 1/8 line; thence S 80 degrees 05'45"W (along the West 1/8 line) 114 feet; thence N89 degrees 20'15"W 1318.93 feet to the point of beginning.

Parcel B: Part of the N 1/2 of the S 1/2 of the NW 1/4 of the SW 1/4 of Section 28, T26N, R2W, described as commencing at the SW corner of said section 28, thence NO degrees 06'E (along the West section line) 1775.69 feet to the point of beginning; thence continuing NO degrees 20'30"E 1318.90 feet to the West 1/8 line; thence S 80 degrees 05'45"W (along the West 1/8 line) 2184.45 feet; thence N89 degrees 20'15"W 1318.93 feet to the point of beginning.

The redemption period shall be 12 months from the date of such sale, unless the property is determined abandoned in accordance with MCLA §600.3241a, in which case the redemption period shall be 30 days from the date of the sale.

The foreclosing mortgagee can rescind the sale in the event a 3rd party buys the property and there is a simultaneous resolution with the borrower.

Dated: October 31, 2002  
Orlans Associates PC  
Attorneys for Deutsche Bank  
National Trust Company,  
as Custodian or Trustee, f/k/a  
Bankers Trust Company of California,  
N.A., As Assignee  
P.O. Box 5041  
Troy, MI 48007-5041  
(248) 457-1000  
File No. 209.1654

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### NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

# FEATURES

## A LOOK AT OUR PAST FROM THE PAGES OF THE AVALANCHE

### 23 Years Ago

**November 15, 1979**

The West M-72 Professional & Industrial Plaza welcomed its first tenant earlier this month with the consolidation and relocation of RDI, Inc. (formerly LP Plastics) into the facility.

The Plaza is now open and is actively seeking tenants for the sprawling 128,000 sq. ft. complex. The Plaza will allow Grayling's economic climate an opportunity to grow and prosper.

The Grayling Rocket (Flag) Football League will be holding their First Annual League Banquet on November 19 at the American Legion Hall. All league players and their families are invited to attend.

Exactly 100 blood donors came to Grayling High School to donate a pint of life saving blood. The effort was crowned off by the efforts of the thirty-some students who participated with success.

The young men and women of Grayling High did an outstanding job registering and processing donor information.

The annual celebration for the Deer Hunting Season will again take place this year in Grayling's City Park under the water tower. The buck pole is ready to weigh and hang the deer vying for the many prizes offered by the merchants and chamber of commerce.

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Middle School Eighth Grade cagers whoop it up after being presented the first place trophy following the team's 22-20 victory over Houghton Lake in the Invitational finale.

Leading scorers for Grayling were Penny Holzman and Stacy Robinson.

Grayling's Seventh Grade team won the preliminary contest, beating Houghton Lake 23-18. Top scorer for the Vikings was Lisa Solomonson.

At a recent meeting of the State Board of the Michigan Junior Chamber of Commerce, the Grayling Area Jaycees were

recognized as the recipients of the Community Action Chapter of the Quarter Award. According to Jim Wheadrock, Chapter President, the Grayling Area Chapter has engaged in many successful community activities since its formation this summer.

Line the streets with jovial citizens, add holiday bedecked store fronts, mix in the sound of music, top your recipe off with Santa Claus and what do you have? All the necessary ingredients for a gala downtown Christmas Parade, which will feature lights, floats and the welcoming of dear old Santa Claus!

The Grayling Cooperative Nursery School will sponsor the third annual Santa's Workshop.

According to Marilyn Rosi, Publicity Chairman, the workshop is designed so that children can shop and buy gifts for everyone on their Christmas list. Following all the festivities, there will be a visit from the jolly man himself!

### 46 Years Ago

**November 15, 1956**

Grayling American Legion Post 106 dedicated its new home on US-27 in a program Saturday that lasted through the evening.

Presentation of the building was made by A.J. Nelson, chairman of the building committee to Ralph Hoffman, post commander.

Head basketball coach Bruce Smith discussed the upcoming season and preparatory workouts with his assistant Art Thayer and his two returning all conference players of last season as basketball practice got underway last week. Dave Lowe is the captain of the Viking basketball team.

The senior Class is presenting a three-act comedy on November 16. The play is titled "Quit Your Kiddin," and is under the direction of Mrs. Robert Klein. Admission is 50 cents.

A membership drive for the Crawford County chamber of commerce is underway this month with John H. Peterson as chairman of the membership committee.

It is the goal of the committee to contact all former members to sign them up for the coming year. The committee hopes to

have as near 100 percent membership throughout the county as possible.

### 69 Years Ago

**November 15, 1933**

Deer hunters are usually looking for tracking snow when the hunting season opens. This year there is an abundance. Fully 18 inches of snow covered the ground on the level and in many places the drifts were quite deep. Besides, the recent heavy fall of snow seemed to hang to the trees and foliage, thus making visibility difficult and also making travel in the wild lands anything but pleasant. Temperatures during the early morning hours were down to 5 degrees above zero.

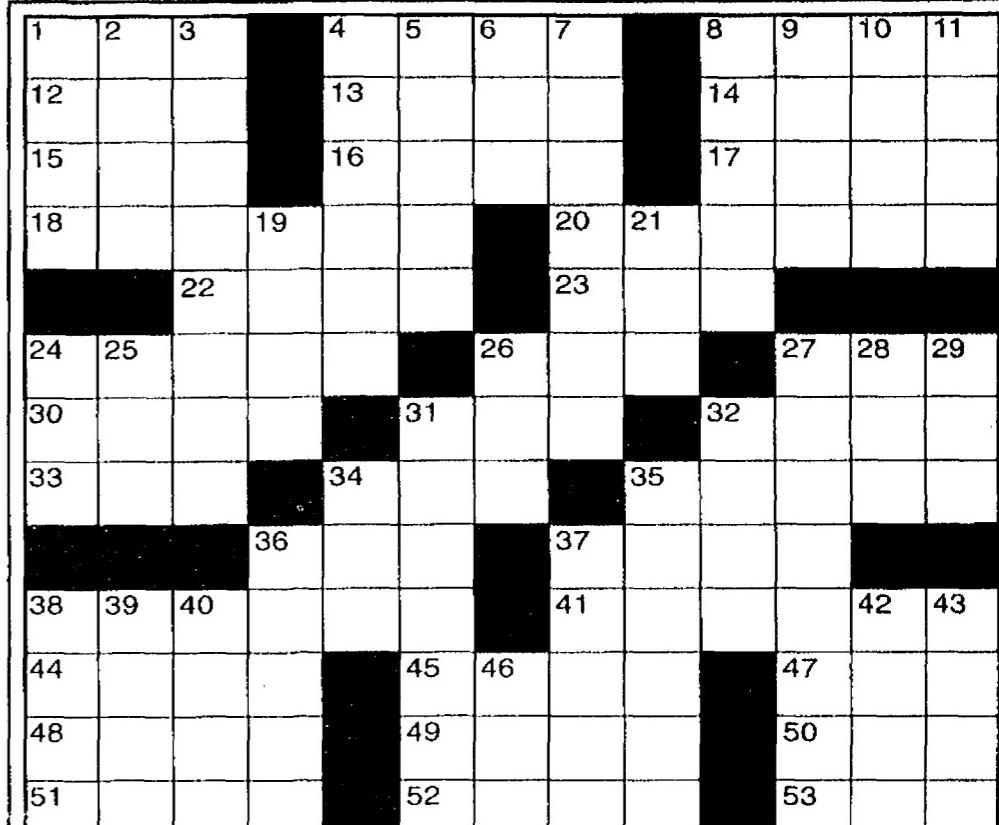
### 92 Years Ago

**November 17, 1910**

Our village council are taking effective measures to keep smallpox away from here. Vaccination is acknowledged to be the only known preventative.

Last week two gentlemen from Detroit were hunting partridge near Higgins Lake, a short distance apart, but neither of them knowing of the other's presence on account of the heavy undergrowth. A bird raised and one of them fired and missed the bird, but peppered the other man who was a few rods behind. Dr. Insley was sent for and his car being out of commission just then Mr. Hanson drove him to the lake with his Buick. The party was found not materially injured.

# CROSSWORD



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- Capture
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- Basketball net holder
- Summer mo.
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- Existed
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- Hotel desk employee
- Al or Dallas
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### ANSWERS IN THE CLASSIFIEDS

## It's Girl Scout Cookie Time!

### RECIPE OF THE WEEK

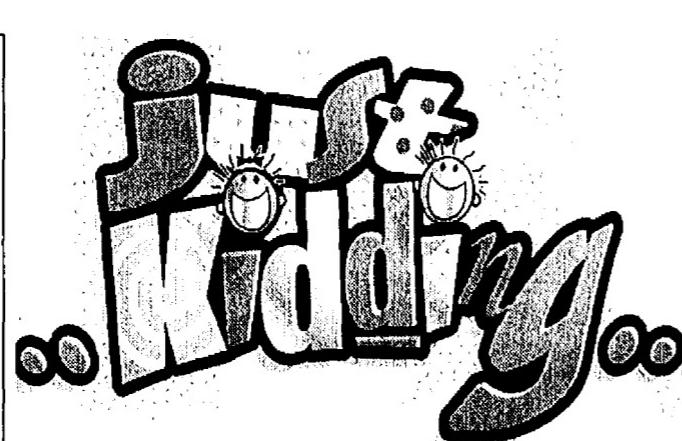
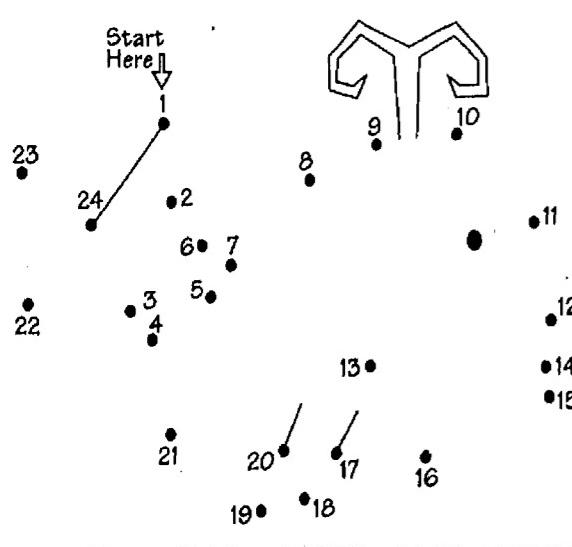


**Crunchy Carmel Apples**

- 12 Do-si-dos (finely chopped)
- 12 small apples
- 1 pkg. (16 oz.) caramels
- 12 wooden sticks

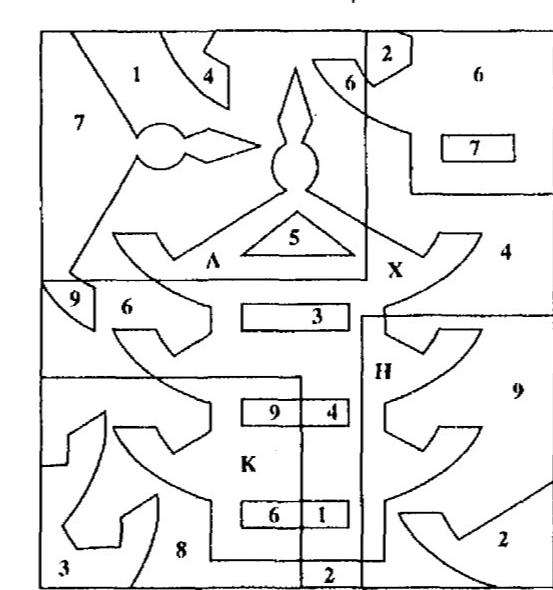
Insert sticks into to of apples. Melt carmel in double boiler. Dip apples in carmel using a spoon to spread evenly over whole apple. Allow excess carmel mixture to drip off. Immediately dip bottoms of apple into crumbs. Place cookie side down on waxed paper and let stand about 30 minutes or until firm.

### CONNECT THE DOTS



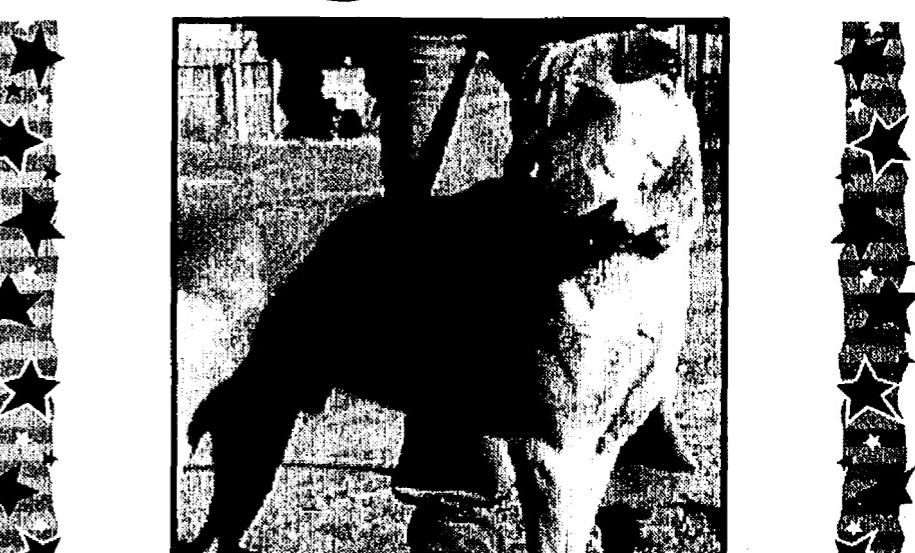
**DID YOU KNOW**  
In Roman mythology the eagle was associated with lightning.

### HIDDEN PICTURE



Color in each space that contains a letter.

### Adopt a Pet



Hooch is a great dog. He is a Shar Pei mix who is very friendly. He is about 1 year old and housebroken. Please call 348-4117 for more information on opening your home to a homeless animal. Or, e-mail: animal\_director@yahoo.com.

Don't forget to stop by the Avalanche office this Saturday during the Christmas Walk and start your Christmas shopping early! We have four great new games to offer as a fundraiser: Dog-Opoly, Cat-Opoly, Wild Animal-Opoly and Ocean-Opoly! These games are fun while being educational and make a great gift for any kid of any age on your gift-giving list! Only \$25 each and all proceeds go to help the animals in our care. We also have gift baskets for your favorite feline or pooch, pet photos with Santa, cookbooks and much more! See our ad on Page 12 A!

Our "Creature Comforts Cookbook" is still available for a donation of \$15. Stop by the Shelter, the Grayling Hospital for Animals, the Avalanche, Riverland Gear, The Medicine Shoppe, or Stevens Family Circle and get your copy today.

**The Animal Shelter of Crawford County is located at:**  
**508 1/2 Huron Street (M-72 East) in Grayling**  
**Between the Road Commission and the Eagles Hall**  
**Hours: Mon. - Sat. 9 am - 1 pm; Sun. and Holidays 8 am - 11 am**  
**After hour appointments available. Call (989) 348-4117**

## HOROSCOPES

For the Week of November 14, 2002



**CAPRICORN**

December 22

January 19

A major purchase is in your future and you need to be prepared—start making plans now! Get all the information before making a move. A special date or person needs to be remembered.

Start Here!



**ARIES**

March 21-

April 19

Put off any new tasks and take care of small problems before they get out of hand. Take time for friends or family, and don't forget to make time for yourself.

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information before

making a move.

A special date or

person needs to be

remembered.

Don't avoid a trying situation—it will turn out better than you expect. Be open to new places and new people. Someone wants to get to know you better.

You may be in for a change of scenery or location. New information becomes known and it affects how you perceive people and situations. Don't be afraid to reach out to others.



**TAURUS**

April 20-

May 20

You have many things to do—avoid spreading yourself too thin. Set priorities and tackle what needs to be done first. Keep tabs on spending and start saving for a big-ticket item.

Now is the time to go over your budget carefully and make any necessary changes. Others seek you out for answers and guidance. An old friend steps back into the picture.

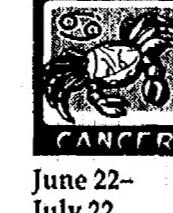


**GEMINI**

May 21-

June 21

People in authority are impressed by your ability to handle a difficult situation. You have the right ideas and get the support to see them through. Take time to communicate with someone from the past.



**CANCER**

June 22-

July 22

Avoid focusing all your time and energy on a small part of your life. Strive for balance and be willing to make adjustments. Remember diet resolutions.

Try not to be too hard on yourself or others. You have a lot of strong points.

Be willing to accept help from others.

Take time and treat yourself to a small luxury.



**LEO**

September 23-

October 22

Others want to hear your feelings and opinions. You're in the spotlight, but be aware that a lot of things are happening behind the scenes and you need to find out what's being said.

You're in the

spotlight, but be

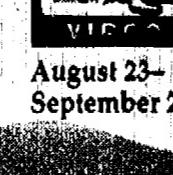
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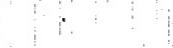


**LIBRA**

August 23-

September 22

A situation that troubled you in the past is back, but this time, you know how to resolve it and move on. Time alone gives you a new perspective and lets you see others in a positive light.



**SCORPIO**

October 23-

November 21

Past accomplishments pay off when you know what to do to solve today's problems. Listen to friends and family, and be ready for a blast from the past!

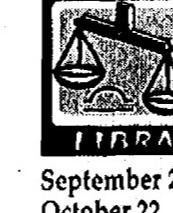


**SAGITTARIUS**

November 22-

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**CAPRICORN**

October 23-

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**AQUARIUS**

December 22-

January 19

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**PISCES**

January 20-

February 18

# ADVERTISING CLASSIFIED

Crawford County Avalanche

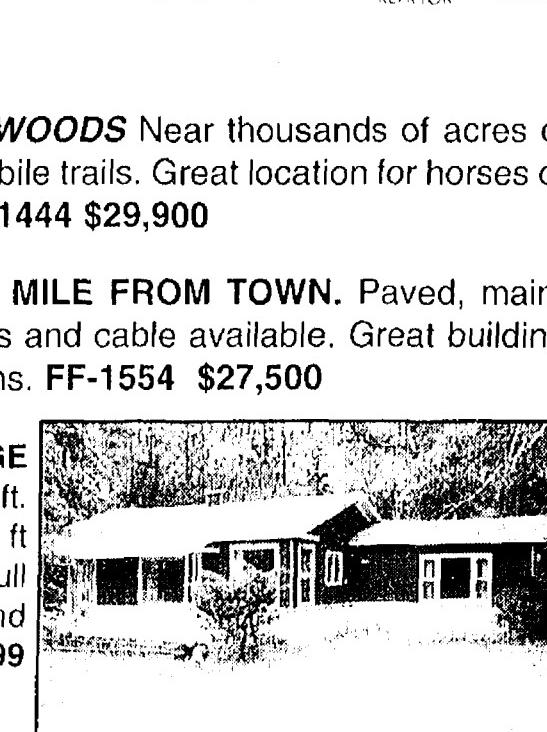
**1. Real Estate**

**CRAWFORD COUNTY** Habitat for Humanity announces open application period now through November 18, 2002. Call (989) 344-0804, leave your name and address only. (-31-14/1)



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Charlene Scheer

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CRB, CRI, CRB, ABR

Curly LaMotte

Associate Broker

Duey LaMotte

Associate Realtor

John Howe

Associate Realtor

Kevin Jamison ABR

Associate Broker

Specialty Specialist

Dianne S. Murphy ABR

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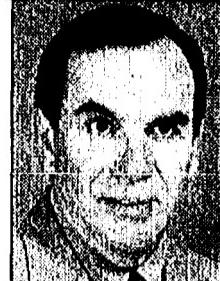
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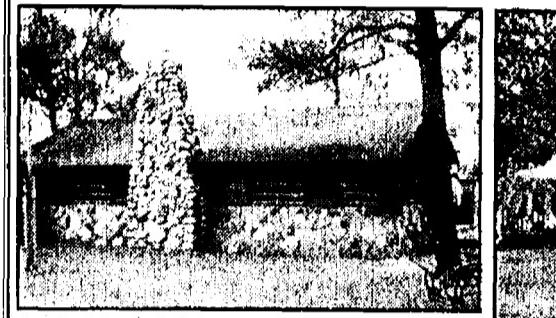
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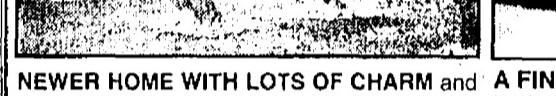
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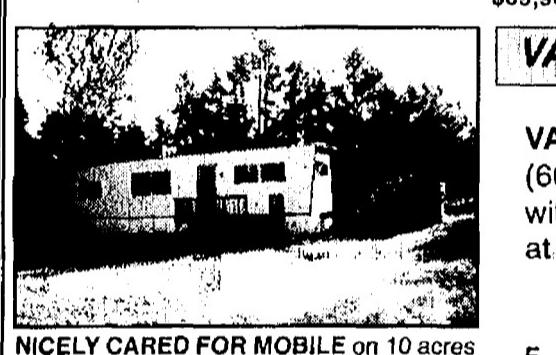
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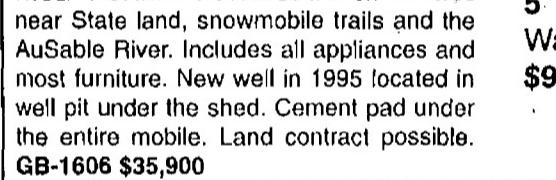


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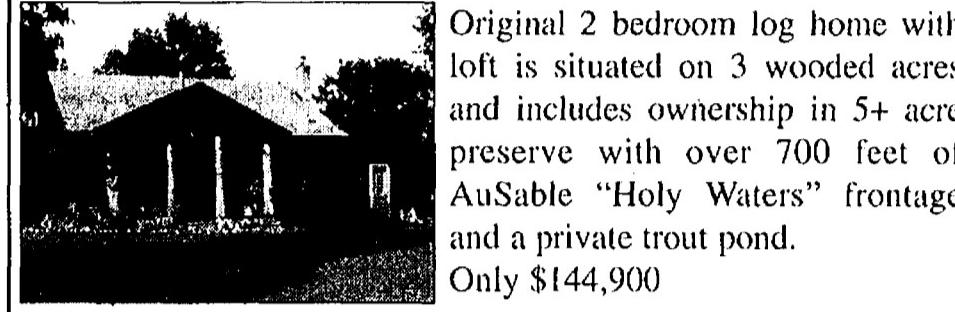


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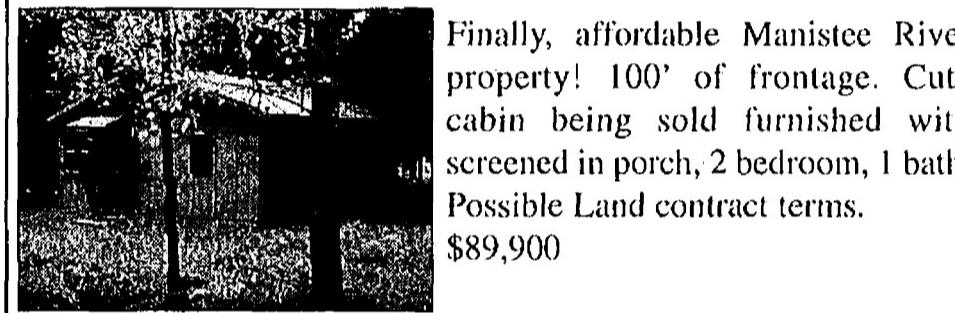
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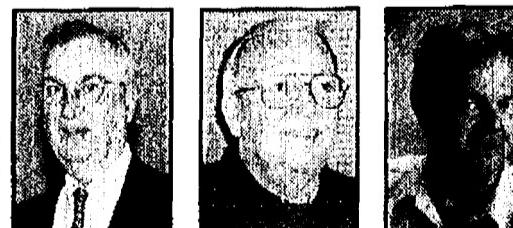
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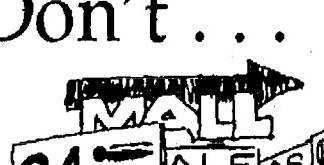
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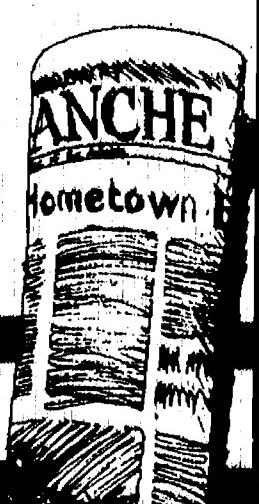


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**7. Miscellaneous**

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**7. Miscellaneous**

**4 X 8 Lighted Signs** and or tables and chairs for special occasions. Trash barrels for sale at Fick & Sons, Grayling. (989) 348-7647 or 1-800-292-9295. (7/25/02/f/7)

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**8. Announcements**

**12TH ANNUAL** Eagles Aux Craft and Bake Sale November 23, 2002. 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Lunch available. Tables for rent \$10. Some space still available. Kids Shopping Corner. Gifts only kids can afford!!! (-14/8)

**GRAYLING HOLIDAY INN'S** Speakeasy Saloon live entertainment. Wednesday thru Saturday bands playing. November 13 and 14 Tony Mastromonic DJ, November 15 and 16 Back Talk. Happy Hour is back! 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. 25 oz. drafts, \$2; Bass Ale and Guinness Stout, 25 oz., \$.5. (-14/8)

**THE KIWANIS CLUB** of Grayling is taking orders for Jedd's Apple Pies. These frozen unbaked pies are available for your holiday table for \$9 each. To order please call (989) 348-7760 before November 19. (-14/8)

**PHILLIPS 66** 75th Anniversary Celebration, Tuesday, November 19, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Free 12 pack Pepsi with fill-up (8 or more gallons). Free balloons for the kids, free cake and donuts. Coffee or fountain drinks. Any size only 66 cents. Enter to win \$10 free gas or other prizes. Extra attendants on duty 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. to pump gas and wash windows. Join us at Grayling E-Z Mart, 2411 S. I-75 Business Loop, Grayling. (989) 348-2630. (-14/8)

**TWO TRACK INN** Come join us for Friday Fish Fry. Saturday Karaoke Wednesday night. Ladies night, well drink specials. Nov. 15 The Shadows. (-7-14/8)

**Hanson Hills Ski Swap**  
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**8. Announcements**

**KARAOKE FRIDAY AND SATURDAY** night 9-? Plaza Bar. Come and join the fun. (1/24/02/f/8)

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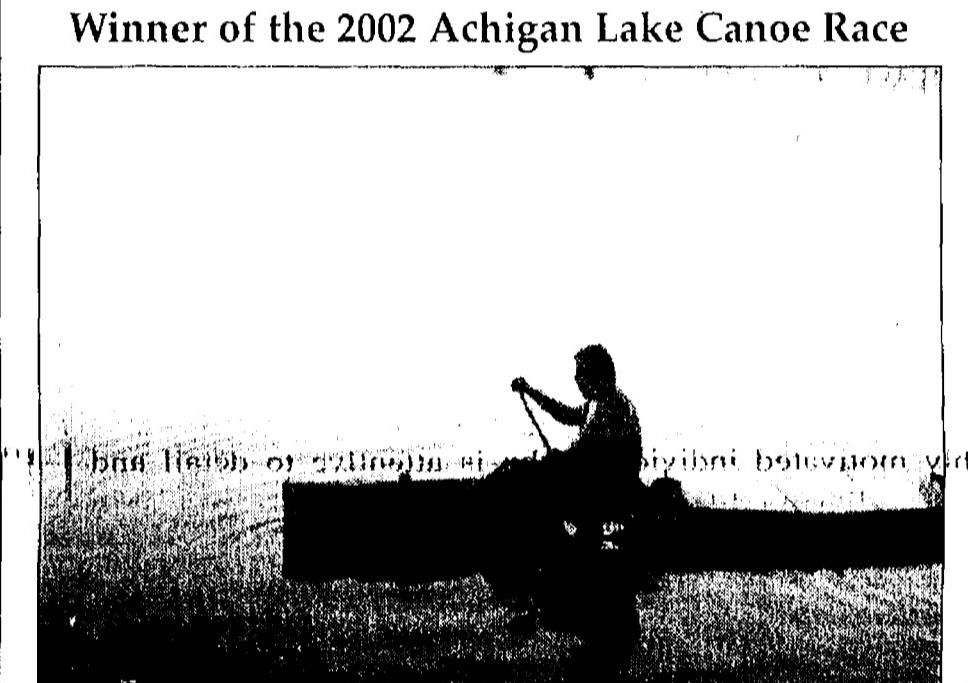
**SKYLINE RESTAURANT SPECIALS** Thursday night, 8 oz. Prime Rib dinner \$9.95. Friday night all you can eat Deep Fried Icelandic Cod Fillet dinner \$9.95. Pan Fried Lake Perch or Walleye dinner \$11.99. Deep Fried Breaded Cod Basket \$5.99. Saturday night BBQ rib, 1/2 slab \$9.95, full slab \$12.95. 12 oz. Ribeye steak \$12.95. All dinners are served with salad bar soup and potato. Other specials served daily. (989) 275-5445 (10/24/02/f/8)

**9. Personals**

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